Frances Levine Freedman and Joseph Freedman

Love letters. 1916 – 1919



Frances was one of 2 women in the pharmacy school in 1916. Rose Freedman was the other. Rose introduced her to her brother Joseph, a young lawyer in Memphis Tennessee. These are the letters that they wrote to each other through their courtship and marriage. They were separated for many years, until their reunion to begin their life together in May, 1919.

Frances was the 1st woman Pharmacist in New York City in Bellevue Hospital. Joseph was a struggling attorney in Memphis, and some of the time, in WWI, was stationed in New York.

Frances opened her drug store, Dixie Drugs, in Memphis when she moved to Tennessee, and proceeded to break ground as a woman and business owner in the early part of the 20th Century

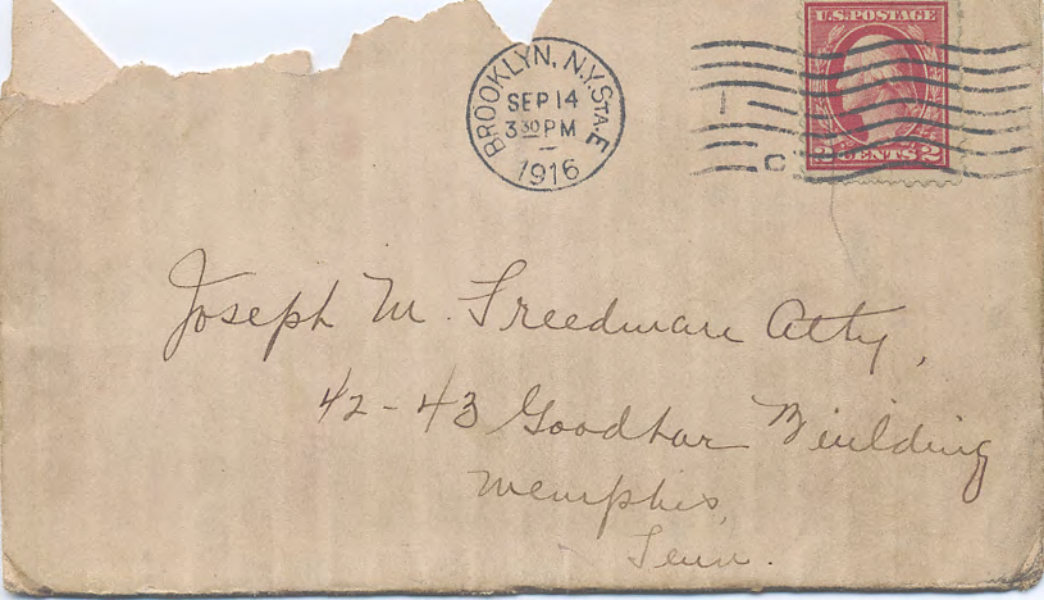
My mother, Jacqueline Freedman Bank was born in 1920.

Sadly, Joseph died in 1929, complications from a beating he received as a result of his lawyering.

Frances, then a single mother, continued to run her drug store and built many apartment/shot gun houses, making them the 1st apartments for "negros" that had heaters and indoor plumbing. (see articles in this portfolio)

These letters reveal a love that endured many years apart. They reveal a woman I, her granddaughter, never really knew.

A woman in love."



Joseph M. Freedman Atty,
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Tenn.

Sept 14 - 16.

Dear Mr. Friedman: ——

Was real delighted to hear from you and still more delighted to know that you arrived safely altho three hours late. But you mention the trip as having been horrible —— in what way? "Ma, ah sure do hope yo' all didn't had to push de train, did yo'?"

I have not had the opportunity to visit your father since that Sunday previous to your

you, for it will bring you more before the public eye. I feel confident that you will positively succeed; but honestly ——— ?

But, please — let me apologize again, and again, ask for forgiveness, I simply couldn't let it pass by. Yet, you can rest assured when I learn that you are complicated in our law-making machinery I shall know how you got there; by — being honest — of course!

It was my intention to answer sooner, but various little

leaving. Bert Rose called me up during the week, and, as I wasn't home, I managed to get Rose at Gumbel's yesterday. I am going to spend Friday evening with Rose to see the Mardi Gras parade. It certainly is too bad you are unable to see it.

And your connections with Mr. Cohn, I think are wonderful, it surely will give you the big start, which is more what you need than anything else at present. It will be much more to your advantage than the proposition the college offered

things turned up to present, but if you come to visit again I sure will be pleased to answer and I promise to do so soon.

Sincerely
Frances Levine.


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A HAPPY NEW YEAR
FROM Frances Levine



Hon. J. M. Friedman, Esq.

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Memphis,

Tenn.

Oct 6, 1916.

Dear Mr. Friedman —

Ought I answer so soon —
or should I not! That is the weighty
problem that now confronts me. And
I appeal to You — who are a Solver
of all great problems — do You deserve
it? But conditions are in Constantsa —
everyone is busy, I have no one to talk
to. So will You let me talk to You?

I wish to thank You also for Your
New Year's card. But, if You missed the
Mardi Gras, so did I and I reckon
if You felt badly - I felt worse for
I missed it only by a track of the

later proved unsuccessful. In the meanwhile the folks were awaiting supper for me and started out for the parade near nine. You can imagine how badly I felt, and shall do feel, when Rose told me this. It was a mix up all around. So you see even though you were thousands and thousands of miles away you saw just as much of the parade as I did.

And now, Mr. Lawyer Man, confess frankly would You be so cruel as to rob me of the only rose that I have became I made an honest assertion? If you mean this — then You are indeed all that I said you were, and more. To deprive me of this — and You know I wouldn't — would be worthless. I had made arrangements to leave the store early and there present your folks waiting. Well, all that afternoon it poured as though the bottom of the sky had come out! There would be no Mardi Gras in that weather, I knew. So I waited until about 7 P. M. and then started for home, as it was still pouring; intending to call up about 7.30, so as to talk to Rose. Needless to say, no sooner had I gotten off the station it began to clear, so I flew to the telephone to let Rose know that it would be too late for me to start out. Try as I would I couldn't get the Storekeeper to answer. Even several attempts

would be unable to obtain another — is to take from me an absolute necessity leaving me miserable; and yet you would possess two — more than was meant for any mortal to have. Would that be fair and honest? And if you remember the Sunday you escorted me home from Sea Gate, you'll remember I was told enough to assert, verbally, this same true cold fact, and yet — and yet, — I am steel in possession of my rose. "Can an attorney be just as honest as a pharmacist?" Well, — after I explain to you, I shall leave you judge for yourself. That you should even hint at a comparison! so deeply grieves me, that it is only with a great effort, that I can utter these facts. The ordinary attorney begins his day at 9. – 9.30 or ten, and at 4.30 or 5 P.M. he can be seen leaving his office clad in a high silk hat, kid gloves case etc. But those noble, pain relievers of your class sacrifice their health and time for the public. They begin at 7.30 and continue their good work until 11 P.M. — Yet which class amasses the most money in a certain time? The pharmacist no! — because he is too honest and sympathetic! It is he – he, or she, who is the good samaritan, who takes it upon him or herself to restore to good health the poor victim after the attorney and lawyer has relieved them of their pocket-books at the cost of their health. It is,

And now my dear friend, before drawing my lecture to a close, allow me ~~to~~ to make a little correction in your letter: "We lawyers, do more to alleviate the justice of their cause and property than any other class or classes of men". I am sure after reading this, you will wish me to do so, to correct this slight error of yours which you certainly made unthinkingly. (You are welcome).

Enough of nonsence, I'll try to talk sensibly now. Since the folks have gone to the Ground, goodness only knows when we shall see each other. I received an invitation from Hunkels in Rois name to be a guest at their

We - who mend broken hearts, links heads etc. - we who labor long and unrewarded - not you. Dear, You will say that your hours are short, and that you work harder and more energetic than we do, and if you do always realize it is because you have an enormous supply of gray matter in your cerebrum. I agree with you - it is a pity how hard you sometimes must work to part some individuals from their cash and in order to prove to them poor, to be pitied mortals, that you are right, when their commonsense shouts that you are wrong, wrong!

opening anniversary celebration.

Conditions in the city are becoming horrible. The supply of milk had been diminished due to the fact that the farmers were sticking for more money for their milk. Can you picture the panic it caused among the mothers of babies? This has been settled to-day, but of course, at the expense of the consumers. The price of milk is raised. Bread has gone up in price but diminished in the size of the loaf. The car-people are on a strike as well as a million of other trades. It sure does look as though this is going to be a dreadful hard winter, and what the poor folks will do, is beyond me.

And now I shall close asking you to please overlook the tonnage of this note and not to judge me too harshly because of it. If you wish it, and if you hear real soon, my next volume will be more interesting dealing on Black Stone.

Sincerely,
Frances Le Fanu





Hon. Joseph M. Freedman Esq.

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Oct 25 – 16.

Dear Mr. Freedman —

I was more than thunderstruck when I read your answer to my letter. I was positively speechless! — dumb-stricken! That you should take so seriously what I had intended in jest was a complete surprise to me, and that you should look to your room-mate for consolation on account of my tommy-rot made me feel doubly wicked. I realize now that I probably carried it too far, and if you really were offended over what I wrote, I sincerely beg your pardon — and

promise cross my heart — never! — never!
to do it again. But how could you take seriously
to heart my sermon? I meant for you to laugh
over it as I laughed over your letter — and
now I know how miserable was my success
as a humorist.

But don't you think your medical friend
made rather a broad assertion? As a physician
in 13 states he feels perfectly licensed to pass
this opinion (surely he never practised in Wyoming
did he?) but I do think that I — as one
of them — is just as well able to say otherwise. It may have been his misfortune to have
come in contact only with such as he describes —
but from my own personal experience, I
have found them to be, (as a class), just what I
told you they were in my last letter — honest
hard-working, conscientious Samaritans. These
patent medicines, which he describes as fakes
to fool the people, are not put up by the
pharmacists, but by large drug men — most, not
even registered — but who are shrewd mercenary men, well versed and covered by the law.
To manufacture, you know, requires a large cap-
tal which is rarely found among pharmacists

Even this tends to point towards this honesty, don't you think? I dare not make any comparison between us & your lawyer folks anymore — and letting aside which is the better profession of the two — the pharmacist is to be admired, and pharmacy, too, for the relief it gives to humanity suffering — not temporary relief either — but by curing, it becomes permanent. Since you so kindly say that my conception of lawyers is so decidedly wrong, — I am kindly so narrow-minded — but what I'll cheerfully welcome your reasons why I am wrong.

Remember I am not judging individuals, but lawyers as a class. I'm remembering my promise - so I'll stop right now.

The weather has become so ideal that I am simply holding my breath for fear it will vanish. How I dread the cold weather — Br-r-r — the thought of it makes me cold. The Southern climate must be wonderful these times of the year. When you write, tell me all about it.

The strike conditions are improving. The car strikes will practically be settled soon - not that the strikers have won —

my conscience.

Hoping you will accept my apology and promise — and please — please do not take too seriously my last ~~edition~~ edition of tommy-rot and spoil it all by making me feel so miserably wicked; I'll remain,

Most sincerely,
Frances Levine.

P. S. My best wishes for success to your room-mate even tho he does think I belong to a big class of crooks.

for they were badly defeated. They were not organized well enough and that was the cause of their defeat.

Things are beginning up for the election. If your front gate has mysteriously disappeared over night — well — you may see it again on that eventful Tuesday night all illuminated. Tell me, Lolo are you going to vote for?

As for the folks, I am so ashamed of myself, that I'd sooner say nothing. Perhaps when next I write I shall have cleared

1916

Joseph M. Freedman, atty.

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Tenn.

Nov. 17 - 16.

Dear Mr. Attorney-man ——

Why didn't you answer
my letter?

Have I offended you so deeply?

I am sorry. Please answer.

Sincerely
S. Levine.

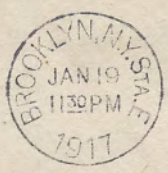
P. S.

My candidate for Presidency

was elected —

Was Yours?

The poorest man on Ground
alone
Is he who lacks a woman's
love.
He who hath That hath
nothing lack,
Dare to give Thanks and
live less lack.





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Tenn.

NO PORTIA IS WANTED BY THE LAWYERS OF ENGLAND

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Women will not be permitted to practise law in England if the lawyers can prevent it.

At a meeting to-day of the General Council of the Bar, over which Attorney General Sir F. E. Smith presided, a resolution asking the General Council to "consider a report upon the desirability of making provision for the admission of duly qualified women to the profession" was overwhelmingly defeated.

See what I found
in this mornings paper!
Thought it would interest
you, and therefore mailed
it. What do you think of it?

Frances



Mr. Alexander Colby,
Lyceum Building,
Memphis Tenn.

March 1 - 1917.

Joe, dear: —

Hurried home and found your letter to welcome me. No, I was not pleased at all — and — now I can hardly wait for to-morrow. I was happy to know that the train didn't have to be pushed and if you were lonesome —

well!—I didn't have to take a drop of perfume
this feeling. Oh yes!

I was down to see Mrs. Mauer. Does anyone
know what do you suppose? I was shocked
to learn that Rose Saunders proved absolutely
incapable of holding the position and that
they have decided to let her go Saturday. I
sure do feel badly. Mrs. Mauer asked me if I
cared to come back, but now I am just commencing
to like my new position and feel I should try it
for another week and then decide. Oh dear, for its
terrible to be so peculiar! In the meanwhile I'll have

Mrs. Ethel Mauer
Apt. 7A, 2nd Floor
Rear





Joseph M. Freedman, Atty,
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Memphis Tenn.

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March 3 - 1917.

Dearest Joe: ——

My head is in a whirl — and if this letter is more like a book of riddles — you'll overlook it, won't you, Joe? I'll do better next time. For to-day you are writing a letter to me — and when I shall be enjoying yours. I want you too, dearest to have the same pleasure. This has been the lonesomest, tiresome discouraging, exhausting and blues week I ever remember enduring. You know why it is lonesome —— and

and you would scream to know how important a personage I am — all because I happen to be a young lady pharmacist — a positive curiosity. I'll tell you things from the beginning so you'll know what I am talking about. To begin with — Mrs. Swallow, the man I am under and work with is a lovely gray haired Londoner with the kindest mannerisms imaginable. I open the dispensery at 9 and twice this week closed at 4.30 (Monday and Tuesday were the only real hard days). 4.30 is almost Saturdays hours, aren't they for? I have luncheon and supper here, but am so lazy to leave so early to

Monday and Tuesday found me the most regretful girl in the world. Gosh! how sorry I was that I had left Mrs. Maas! I felt as happy as a forlorn forgotten homeless waif. Realize, on Monday I put up 100 Prescriptions and on Tuesday 150. My feet, I thought were paralized — and, Back to Mrs. Maas I was going" was all that I could think of to console me — except (this is no conceit) that I was told that I had done better these days than any man that preceded me had done at the end of a months! this is no flatterer either, for, because I knew it at the expense of my feet.

breakfast here. The first half of my lunch hour I spend in the nurses Hall which is the most elaborately furnished place in agreeable. Softly upholstered furniture - library - desks for writing, rockers, cozy corner - and electric lights to switch up everywhere and anywhere, wherever you can place your hands. The walls are made of panelled mirrors and the wood being white. Here I spend half of my lunch hour buried deep in the soft cushions embroidering a set for our dining room. The set is really beautiful Joe, and every time I put a stitch in it I am thinking of you - picturing

how it will look, how you will look, how I will look and a million other such thoughts. Now that I know most of the people I do really enjoy the work and hardly think I shall return to Mrs. Haas, although I told her I should let her know definately next week. Mr. Swallow has really taken quite a fancy to me and explains many things to help me and even goes so far as to see that I get all that is coming to me - it not more. He does the manufacturing while I do the dispensing. The only thing he says troubles him is that before he knows it I shall be going off to be married. I laughed and told him I noticed he was guilty of the same offence

first lady pharmacist employed there. Everyone remarks how well I am getting along, so I guess it must be so. Now I will tell you its faults. I must work every other Sunday morning until 12 - have luncheon then I am through. They do not even it up by allowing me a morning off during the week either, and I get as hard as I have I suppose I shall have to do it. Mr. Swallow tells me not to work hard on this day I have to relieve in the Hosp. the dispensary is closed / because he fears they may ask to have me transferred to the Hosp. where himself - but he replied - not at the request of my position - he didn't care this" I could only tell him not to worry on that score - which I did. He told all the physicians and the Bellevue pharmacists to keep away - I am engaged - that this is strictly business - no visitors allowed! Fun! He has every guessing now as to whether I am married, single engaged or divorced. Naturally everyone is curious to know how a young lady can handle that work for this is the busiest dispensary in the city - and ahem! I have the honor of being the

= was originally supposed to be
= you know Joe, of all the people
that I have met there, doctors,
prof. surgeons and all - there was not
one of them that comes within
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ete. as nice as you. (This is almost as
big as the number which represent
how much I love you, isn't it?)

Will you look at all the
paper I have wasted chattering
about myself and my "got"?
when what is uppermost in my
mind is - How are you feeling -
how is your cold? - any letter?
Do please Joe, take care of it.
Remember! And how did you
find things when you returned

what did your patetates say,
and how do you like your new office
and how — oh dear, I wish I
could talk to you! I haven't the
patience to wait to hear from
Saturdays letter. Did you put
my picture in your watch and
what did your room-mate say?
don't forget to answer all my ques-
tions especially as to how you
feel and exactly the condition
of your cold. Write anything
you chose to on the picture,
but don't forget to send it, soon.

Yes, Joe you certainly
are keeping your promise to
write, yet you don't know how

every evening – do they advise it to you?

Your stationery is beautiful but how did you get it so quickly! I can not realize that I shall have to write all these questions and wait most a week for an answer.

Forgive all errors as I wrote just as quickly as I could make my arm move.

Good-night again, sweetheart.

happy I am to receive it. As for missing you, I felt so blue – well, so blue to write. To-days rubbish will make up for my absence.

Expect to see Rose to-morrow afternoon – But no Joe. [redacted]! I had better stop now, or I have the blues for the rest of the evening. Bell has called me to go to the movies so I shall run along.

Oceans of love and millions of kiss from Frances.

PS I send you a good night kiss



It isn't
the number of
friends that
count,
Tho' we reckon
them by the
score
There are clovers
with three
leaves in
every lot,
But the one
we prize
has
four.



THE PARMACO CHILDREN

SERIES No. 2259





THIS SPACE FOR CORRESPONDENCE

Joe I now receive Ros
I'll see the yesterday
I can scarcely wait till I reach home for your letter. I rested all day yesterday as though the bottom of the heavens came out and I really do think they forgot to put it back again for it has been snowing, raining and hailing all day to-day as well. I to remain ever

Yours
Frances

THIS SPACE FOR ADDRESS

Jos. M. Freedman Atty.
by Leum Theatre Bldg
Memphis
Tenn.





Jas. M. Freedman Atty.
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Tenn.

March 6 - 1917.

Mah Honey Lamb: ——

Honest and truly, black and bluely, ah shouldn't be writing yoh this evening, cause ah didn't got no letter to-day - nope - ah didn't! But you know what ah did? ah simply pulled out yoh big letter from yesterday and made it last foah two days. Just read it over for the dozenth time. Whats a matter Joe! Don't you love yoah honey —— no moah? no moah??? ?

about 15 to. You are going to do the best you can, within reason — more than that no one can do. But I must say Mrs. Le Hunte is sure fine — he, at least, has a heart within him, and I know I like him already because he is so good to you.

Now, that is all I must write to-night! Because of the reasons previously stated — the offender was guilty of a severe and serious crime — namely of not writing — and he deserves no more leniency, nope! The offender is to be placed

for, do you still feel so lonesome? oh dear, I do to! Les you think we are going to get accustomed to it, or is it to become worse? Lonesomeness is a fierce feeling to adapt one self to - isn't it? Tell me, for what can I do to make you feel less lonesome, I don't want you to feel so — really — and I want to help you if I can — for it almost breaks my heart. I want you and want you see that you must have a little recreation and a little fun. For this is absolutely necessary — and remember — your promise. never mind

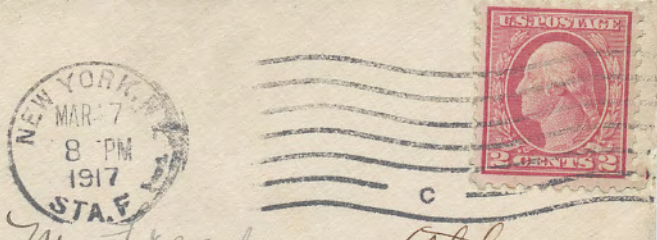
a parol ! (Is that right ?).

Joe, dear did You mail my picture - or rather Yours ? If you haven't - don't forget to do it immediately.

Good night Joe, and here's a whopper of a big kiss for you from your Loving

Frances.

P. S. Expect to have Supper at your house Thurs day Evening. No Joe to take me home - So I coaxed mom dear in to letting Nell come with me. Of course Rose invited Nell to - So it makes a real nice



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March 7 - 1917.

Joe, Sweetheart: —

Have just returned from luncheon, thought of you, and so am writing to you in that there is very little to do.

Oh the weather outdoors is just wonderful - real Spring weather — and after all that snow that we had - it is all the more welcome. Wish I had the afternoon off - and you to meet and then I should be altogether happy.

While spending my luncheon half-hour at Osborn

Joe, do you know what I just did? I wanted to tell the young assistant here to do something and instead of calling him Theodore I address him as Joe! And the joke of it is that I wasn't conscious conscientious of it until he said Easy telling who that letter is going to. Some homestead I am, Joe. I know they'll tease me from morning till night.

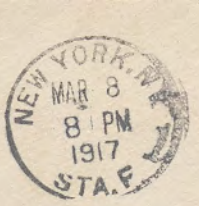
When I came back from luncheon, Mrs. Smallow informed me that there was a call for me from E. M. 4-16. Naturally I thought something must have happened there and really became a little worried. What

Hall, a lovely young lady came and sat with me - and finally we became very well acquainted - She is a teacher on one of the boats and, having been there a year, knows all the nitches and corners. She took me all through the rooms on the ground floor. Joe — they made my mouth water. They are so simply furnished, yet so restful and comfory looking. They are all of this wicker furniture with cretone cushions and draperies (cretone is that white material with colored flowers on it.) Do you know what I decided? If we have any spare room, we will fit it up like these were. You'll love them, I know. (She is going to show me all around the boat, if

do suppose they had called me up for a "crazy cat" — They called me up to tell me its lonesome there and if I were coming back next week! I almost collapsed — I had to leave the dispensary alone — Got a freight — and this is what they wanted! I asked them if they realized I was on probation for 3 months.

Now, Joe I have become dreadfully busy, so have to bid you good-bye — with expectations of hearing from you to-night. Let me know how you are feeling and whether you still possess your cold.

Lovingly
Frances.





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Tenn.

March 8-1917.

Ina Haney: ——

Do you know that I was a divorcee for two days? For two days I did not receive any mail! Now I am sure you don't love me anymore — yesterday I was only doubtful. Oh, well ——

I was greatly worried thinking you were ill. consequently I waited for the mail man this morning — the result of which I almost strolled in late. But it was a relief to know that you are well.

This evening I am having Turkey Supper at your house. Need I tell you I am sorry you are not there? And I wish you

upon my feet, for they were soaking wet. When I arrived at the bridge however I thought the best place for them was on my feet — and so put them there — but not without appreciating how crazy I am.

Nell is unable to come with me this evening, and I shall have to go up alone. I shall leave the dispensary about 6.30 arriving at your house about 6.30. I shall be able to leave early, but I you only knew how I hate to make that trip alone; I am so disappointed, that it is worse that I promised. I hardly think I would go — could see the weather! Rain blue, and dreary. If the weather man don't stop treating me so shamefully. I am going up to his bureau and give him a piece of my mind. Yesterday the weather being nice, I snapped my rubbers into a parcel and carried them home in my muff —; this morning I left in such a hurry that I would'nt take the time to put my rubbers on, but ran knee deep into puddles to catch the train. I caught the train, but ets a wonder I didn't catch a cold as well. My rubbers in my muff, had no effect

especially as the weather is so nasty.

Joe, tell me whether you have received my mail regularly or not - for I see you only received Thursday's letter date. You goosey gander, of course you had to wait 5 days for a letter because I didn't know your address. I wrote the same Thursday I heard from you - and have written almost daily since. Also let me have your picture.

Here's hoping your dark client has a generous size pocket book, and has a heart to match it. I'll close with love

Frances.





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Memphis,

Tenn.

March 9-'17

My darling Joe: ——

Please forgive me for accusing you of failing to write for two days, for it seems that yesterday two letters came — and oh! oh! Joe, what a wonderful letter that big, fat one is — I have read it and reread it, hugged it and squeezed it and kissed it because I felt it was you. My letter may have put "pep" into you, but yours put so much love into me, that I felt that I'll have to get as fat as Mrs. Mann to have enough room for my heart. it feels so big that it actually hurts! There is nothing — no member, no object, nothing that I can compare its

employed by the big hospitals in New York - to cure millions and millions of sick and ailing - and ahem! — am capable of handling large and small cases of all kinds with remarkable and unheard of accurateness and skill - and so ahem! ahem! — I believe you may place utter confidence in me!

Joe. dear, I had a most delightful time at your house yesterday night — one which I shall never never forget. I was so impressed - especially when your grandfather sang the prayers of all the holidays that the tears came into my eyes, and that sinking feeling into my heart - You know that greatness is — nothing at all, Except the simple words, I love you, Joe.

I am so happy Joe, that you have gotten rid of that nasty cold, and now that you are feeling better, I'll admit I was actually and truly worried. I had to smile when I read of your caution, for me to take care of myself; - its you that needs this advice, and its you whom I want to follow it. You will, won't you, Joe? Don't - in any case fail to tell me if in anyway you feel the slightest pain or discomfort, for fear of worrying me. You know I am an experienced and capable pharmacist

feeling that comes creeping over you when you see a bride getting married. As for the setting of the table — and the wonderful supper your mother prepared — well. Joe dear, you know just what its like — So, I shan't waste about it — just describe it as being wonderful! Least I should tell you how I looked for you in the corner of the station and how disappointed I was to find that what I had been told would be — was true. oh! No Joe, there — Blue Joe —? miss You? Thats all I have. Write for Yours and my peace of mind sake.

Your father had brought home for your mother a beautiful bouquet of flowers — and when I saw the I suppose it's

so happy and yet so lonely. Your grandfather gave a toast — and one to me — "You know why, and I tell you I shall get drunk that day" he told me. I could only look at him, drop my eyes, and thank him, — but what I felt like doing — was kissing him. I told you, Joe, and I know it for sure now. that I love your grandfather (maybe because, and only because he belongs to you). Shall I tell you what Rose and I did? We dressed as rag a-muffins and called on your next door neighbors — dressed as two bean bummers — Rose in your father's tuxedo or Sweater tail overhat over your

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Finally I felt that it must be getting late, and Polly says "oh! its only about 9 o'clock". The result of that 9 o'clock was that I had to call up home — and Edna answered with — not a hello, or who is this?, — but with "Mamma says 'you should come right home!'" I was speechless with surprise! and so had to leave it to Rose to do the coaxing — well anyway, I stayed over night and left this morning with Rose. Mother was a little angry when I came home, but I kissed it all away — and promised never! never! to do it again! Solemnly promised! That is why I only received your big fat

call it and I in an ordinary suit. If ever I saw you in Rose I did then — if I didn't know it was Rose, — I should have been positive it was my Joe. I wish you could have seen Mrs. Lippman's facial expression! She thought we were two young men come calling! I laughed until my stomach fairly ached — and oh! everyone else — fairly scream. Rose had your grandfathers handkerchief sticking out from the back pocket. In all of the fun you were constantly in my mind — in everyone's, Joe, and how happy I was when I heard of that box which had been shipped to you. By Polly

letter to-night.

I am not only surprised but greatly and sadly disappointed in this lawyer Goldberger. Such a way to treat a fellow lawyer! He should be ashamed of himself - especially since he knows by actual experience what every case means to a young lawyer - not only financially but as far as a reputation is concerned. And to deliberately let them slip through his fingers! Don't let it bother you, Joe, for you see it only proves how much and what your clients think of you, after all. One came back to make sure before he gave his case to another lawyer, and the other lawyer was the other, I gather, and so the other one will get it.

You'll hear from him, I am sure. I tell you, sweetheart, I am proud of you! I should say so!

Last Sunday, as I wrote before, was a miserable day, and I took advantage of it - by starting on my first cooking lesson. I fried toast and on this placed the salmon and over all put some sauce. Joe, I tell you it look great, and tasted as good as it looked - so everyone said. And if it wasn't for two burnt fingers, I should never have known that I had cooked. You see, I had to try the heat of the oven on my hand, so as not to burn the toast. I

satisfied. If you choose to, you can still look about, and let me know. I only realize now how little I know — they tell me fumed oak is the very latest and the prettiest as well. I do not know what it is and so can pass no opinion as to its beauty. Tell me what you think of this plan. In the meanwhile I am embroidering every spare minute I can get.

As for Ez. I haven't seen Ez for any length of time, and so could not get any positive opinion from him. But I will succeeded in turning my hand and almost as successful as far as the toast was concerned. I am so discouraged — for I feel it will take me so long — maybe never — to cook as well as you mother — especially after what I saw last night.

I have a suggestion to make. For regarding the furniture I have thought that perhaps it would be better if we should pick out the things when I get down — and it won't take long at all to get things fixed nicely. For I realized how expensive these pieces of furniture came to, and I want both of us to be entirely

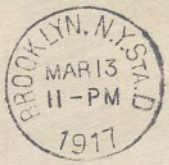
explain to him Sunday and ask him to write to you about it. That will probably be the best.

As yet neither of your parents have been down but you can't be promised to come down soon.

And now, for sweetheart, this will have to satisfy you for I have another letter to write before bed time, - most of it. I was over to the dispensary - I feel perfectly at home - so that I can write from there when ever my afternoon half hour of recreation rolls around. Mr. Davidson makes me rest every afternoon about 3 o'clock. He is wonderfully nice to me. As soon as I mail this I shall go directly to bed and dream of my honeymoon. I am true - with a sweet good night kiss

(I had to stop to help Mrs. Hamilton with some sewing and so wrote only a few lines.)

(Mrs. Hamilton was very kind to me.)





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March 13-17.

Joe, dear: —

What do you suppose I done went and did? While at the dispensary I wrote your letter, and when I reached the letter box I tugged and searched all through my pockets but there was no letter to be found! I probably let it rest peacefully on the desk. I'm sure I don't know where my brains are — but don't fret. I shall drop it in the box first thing to-morrow morning and write

lonesome because of it. Your letter is first.

I started the circle so that we could all embroider — but last week's meeting consisted of "me members" besides myself. We didn't even open our embroidering but made a coffee clatch out of it. I had forgotten to tell the girls to come down and that is why we had such a big and noisy attendance; however I was more than satisfied as I again in the afternoon.

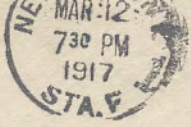
I received two letters today Joe, — Saturdays and Sundays. — You are a dear. now, I understand why You fail to receive a letter Thursday — last Tuesday there was a sewing circle meeting at the house, and although I hurried to catch the last mail evidently I was too late. That is why I am hurrying now — the meeting is coming again — to night — but by my Joe isn't going to suffer and get

was too tired to bathe.

Now, honeybunch, although this isn't much of a letter, your mouth became blue with your think! to-morrow you are going to receive two. Oh, Joe Dear

So happy that those cakes gave you so much encouragement — as for Goldberg (I won't even address him as such,) if he is guilty of what you suspect him of — why - my ink, paper and time is much to valuable to express even my opinion of him — nevertheless his bad ear will burn him for some time to come — if it's true, and you dare

worry about him or his actions, dear? your kiss, now heart tonight — sweetheart & prince. & smiles are worth it.





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March 12 - 1917.

My Sweetheart: ——

I feel miserable to-day because I failed to write yesterday. The truth is that I did write but it was such a blue blue letter that I thought it best to destroy it — and then found no time to write again. I had to work yesterday (Sunday) and it made me anything but cheerful. It was intimated that it would only be for the morning and the afternoon would be mine; well, it was 5.15 before I was through — and I was positively furious! I received

one sunday a month; and the other Sunday until luncheon time while the two remaining Sundays will be entirely mine. The peculiar part of it is — that with all this, the work is fascinating. — and Mr. Swallow tells me I'll never be sorry if I stay. He says in six months I will be fully capable to tackle any hospital pharmacy or dispensary. To drown my sorrows I went to a movie picture show. When I got home, I was delighted to find a house full of company and soon forgot that I was tired — and although the day ended happily, at least; and I was a great deal more cheerful. to-day I am myself again.

no other day off in compensation and in this resentful, rebellious mood. I sat down to write your letter. Oh yes, I had plenty of time in which to write — that is just what intensified my fury! — for, from 2 o'clock on I had absolutely nothing to do — but I had to be there to relieve a pharmacist for his supper! When I told Mr. Swallow about it this morning, he smiled, patted my shoulder and told me not to worry. He promised to arrange it, just as soon as I know the arrangement of the stock there, to have me stay until 5. only

I know, Joe dear, you are trying to do your best to build up your practice, and I know my honeymunch will succeed. I have been wondering how your cases have gotten along. Did they come up yet? You didn't write me a word about it. And I haven't received your picture yet. And I don't think you love me anymore, do you? So many, many times I wanted to ask you if you are still smoking those nasty cigarettes — but each time it just slipped my mind. Are you? There was a clipping in one of the papers, written by a physician, which I really wanted to mail you, but can't find now. Don't forget I'll always love my honeymunch — always!

Yours Frances.





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March 13-17.

My darling Joe: —

Waited for the mail carrier this morning and am as happy as can be - that I did. "It" in one week! Oh! Joe! it is wonderful! wonderful! It is keeps it. Joe, you'll be a millionaire before you know it. I am so happy over it — and so proud of you — and I wish so much that I could see you, if only for a few minutes, to speak with you. Aren't you, too, happy?

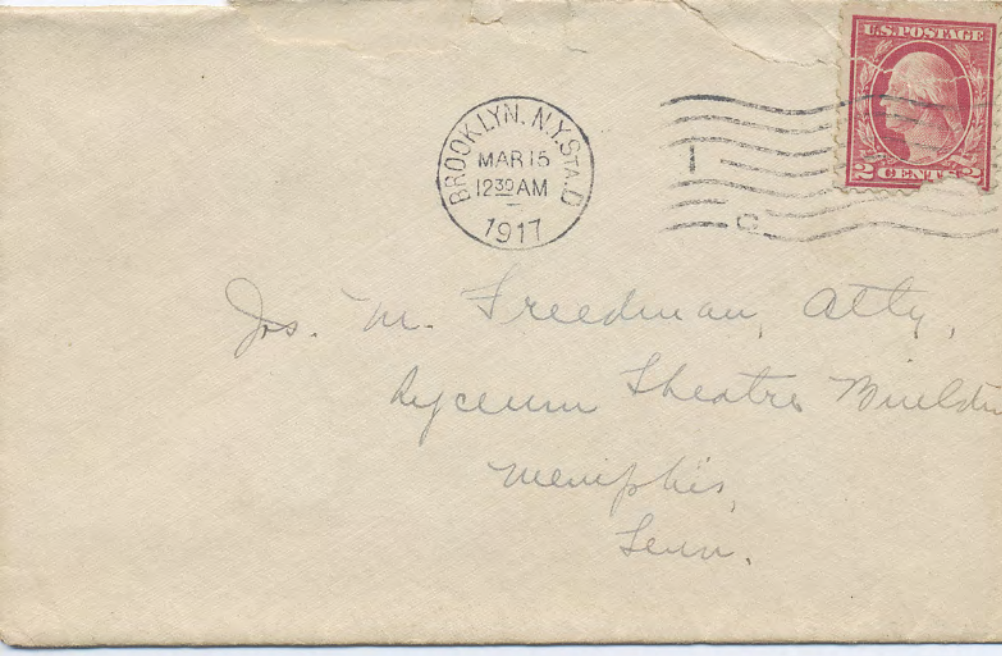
You have asked me what I have been doing. Well this morning started rather peculiarly. — Got up, dressed, had breakfast, rushed for my train, just made it, panted for

dept; who is really a dear; but found that she was attending some meeting. "So I took me a walk" to the river to see the Tuberculean Boat. It is an old ferry boat that has been better day about a century ago. But the weather was to ideal to over go visiting in this curious looking thing that made you feel. I wonder what tales could be told about it? Instead, I sat me down on one of the benches and thought - and thought as I looked out on the water. Thought of what and whom? oh, you and the letter trip to the Aquarium - it was so recent yet it seems so long - long ago, doesn't it? And here I again pulled out your letters and reread them from the

a few minutes and then pulled out your letter, read it, reread it, and thought about you — and I think read it a few more times. Took off at the bridge and ran for the 3rd ave L. train with my ticket in my hand. Heard the gong and ran all the harder to have the gate closed in my face. Doesn't this remind you of the continuous "rush and hustle"! what a disappointed feeling, when after you have run, and run, and run you get there just in time to hear Hong Kong and the train pulling out! Now, when I think of it I laugh! But seriously, I tell you how I spent my lunch hour - I had intentions of calling on Miss Wadley, the head lady of the Social Service

million th time. I almost felt as though you were with me, and worked with all my heart that you were, until finally I realized how late it was getting, and ran (again) to the living room. Now, here I am after dispensing about 200 Rx, sitting down for about ½ hour to rest — and to think of you and write. If my letters sound muddled and scratched up, Jo dear, you'll know why - for it seems everyone is talking and asking questions at once and just when I sit down to write. Yet, I know positively that by writing now, you'll get the letter within two days, while if I wait until I reach home, it sometimes misses the last mail. Am writing everyday now so remember your promise and don't you dare become blue.

Lovingly
Your sweetheart Frances



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March 14-17

My darling Joe: —

The weather out there must be wonderful - probably more wonderful than I can even imagine — which is much more than can be said of our usualy contrary N.Y. weather. It started the day with a bullying snow storm but soon changed its mind and made us miserable by raining the rest of the day. Since we have had a taste of Fall and Spring - no doubt to-morrow it will freeze - just for Winter's old time sake. Joe, are you among the people who are taking

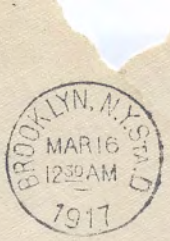
pearance was any indication as to his health — then, Joe I am sure you have no cause for any uneasiness or movement. You would have been surprised to see how he joined us in our fun and how he enjoyed ~~itself~~ his self — really as much as we did. And feel witty! — why — he had me laughing all the time. He even told me that had he been home, you should never have received your Xmas box — he simply would have packed for you a single suit, raisin and pea, and invite — "If you were home, you could have more." I told him I was glad he wasn't home — and that he was heartless! But Joe I realized I wasn't the only one who missed you so immensely. It was Joe, Joe — Joe! until the time I

advantage of your lovely Southern days and enjoying them? I want you, too — there is nothing that I wish for more than to be there to help you enjoy them; But, Joe, as this is not to be, yet; — just you pretend I am there — and don't allow these beautiful days to pass by unenjoyed. Before you realize it, the hot sultry weather will be creeping in — then real pleasure is most impossible — you'll have all you can do to keep comfortable. Enjoy these few short weeks — will you, Joe — for my sake — and tell me how you are spending them.

Joe dear, as far as I can judge and I ~~your~~ your father's spirit and ap-

tried to swallow the lump in my throat down with food the worse it became because the food, as well as the lump, was there to choke me. So, you see sweetheart even as you were lonesome for me — I felt it all the more, and was all the more lonesome for you — because I was enjoying myself at a place where you should have been. But, I can assure you dearest — you weren't out of my mind for a second — not even for a fraction of a second — and it possibly my heart ached and loved you all the more. Rose and I had finished all preperations to depart to the land of dreams about 12 o'clock — but it was 1.30 or maybe 2 before we rolled over with a sleepy "good night". We were talking all that time.

Joe, I didn't receive any letter to-day, and Gosh! I was disappointed. It is partially due to a delay — the mails (hope you are feeling well — and your





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March 16-17.

Darling-Mine:—

Eat me up! — Why, Joe you are a regular man-eating shark! I'm "skared" of you — Damn — and only because I wrote you a letter! — Oh dear! — Joe — I love you so much! And that stubborn obstinate ray will never, never cease. I want to see you so much and so badly! As for my kisses — Joe, — consider yourself kissed as often and when ever you choose. But when that may day does come around, you can bet,

dispensary isn't open early enough.
I thought to myself "Well, you'll have to wait until I come" because I sure must wait for Joe Every morning — and so she will — my sweetheart first!

I smile every time I think of your following a girl out in Texas simply because she wore a dress similar to mine! I smile because so often the same trick has been played on me. I see someone, who, judging from his back view must positively resemble my Joe — I know it can't be, yet, I feel it might, and oh! what a disappointment! Men dress a great deal alike so you can imagine how often I have been fooled there'll be a big, big kiss, Joe, — just a little one, to greet you.

I have read your charmingly wonderful letter a thousand and one times and each time it becomes sweeter and dearer. To-day there came two letters for me — yesterday's as I thought, was delayed. As I wrote yesterday — your Sunday letter was delivered Tuesday. Although it makes me a little late, I have been waiting for the carrier each morning; in fact go a half block out your way — and to-day one of the nurses hunted that she can't get her chum stocked up by mine, because the

this very friend of yours must be a scream — I burst out into a hearty laugh — right in the car when I read of his standing up for his share or rather shares! How did you enjoy it? How long did it last? I wish I could have been there too! Joe, I'll tell you what I think of this "fool Goldberger." He's jealous of you! That's all — and he's not clever enough to conceal it. As for his sister probably the same can be said of her. I should advise you to have as little as possible to do with them. And don't let it worry you — if things look bad — just drop the matter of the $15 — it shows the amount of manhood in him. In any case — don't worry — understand? Here are all the kisses and hugs you were dreaming about — and those besides extra.

Your loving Frances.





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March 16 1917

Darling Joe: —

Overlook the stationery - I really hate to use it but have nothing else at present. Have just returned from lunch. This evening one of the girls from college will be down, — and that means I shan't have much time to write when once I get home.

Last night Sadie, Anna Weinstein and myself were out to a little home party at the home of a friend of Anna's, we certainly had a fine time. I spent a great deal of the evening admiring her home — and her little daughter, who is the most brilliant child I have ever seen. Only two years old, but you should hear her talk! — I fairly kissed her to death. Both parents of were teachers — or rather, the father still teaches so perhaps its not a be wondered at — but she certainly is a marvel. We laughed so — when one of the young men found that I was at Bellevue, naturally thinking I must be a nurse asked me in what ward — so I told him in the "alcoholic and insane." You would have enjoyed the expression

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of surprise on his face! He asked later if he could come down to the dispensary since he works on 14th St. and I put on a serious face and told him "nay nay, I daren't have any visitors." Finaly he decided he'd have to break a leg — but I shook my head and told him he would find himself in the hospital and not in the dispensary!

Waited for the mail carrier as usual this morning — but there was no mail from you, can hardly wait until I reach home this evening. Will write a big fat letter to-morrow. How did the Goldberger fellow act?

With all my love to my darling sweet-heart, I'll close —

Lovingly
Frances.

Hope I find your picture home to-night — was disappointed not to see it yesterday, Sweetheart mine.





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March 17 - 17.

Dear Sweetheart of Mine: —

Yesterday's letter promised a big fat one to-day - didn't it? well, here it is. I'll bet when you received yesterday's letter you settled down before opening it — for a big letter — it certainly felt like one —

Hooking Joe — do you feel badly over the case you lost? Forget about it — it is only what you should expect — you can't win every case. It hasn't shaken my faith in you one atom — not a bit — and only the thought that you may worry over it bothers me. Forget about it Sweetheart — remember you are a beginner in a big field — and that you have done remarkably well. You'll get to the top — don't you remember what one of your clients said? — but you must expect and above all don't discourage over inevitable losses. By the time this

my fault? - I didn't know any better - I thought that I did. When I told you I loved you as much as I did - I thought I was speaking the truth. And now I find I was all - all wrong - I have changed my mind! I was mistaken! Joe - Joe - will you forgive me? Forgive me for the big injustice I have done you. For, I find (please read this part Joe, before you sit down to write me something rash) because I now find that each day I love you as much as I told you, multiplied by the largest number in the world, multiplied by itself. If when you have spare time you care to figure it out, Sweetheart let me see how it looks in numbers. Now my heart, are you blue? Are you satisfied?

About my position, Mrs Swallow tells me he is going to have a post office made in the dispensary for my letter reaches you, I hope you'll be feeling better and taking it as you should.

What was I doing when my Joe was feeling so badly? Up to 11.30 I was preparing things for the afternoon rest. From 11.30 to 12 I sat in a large chair in the dispensary entrancering - and talking to Mrs. Swallow - but thinking of you all the time. It was a nasty, dreary, gloomy morning that day and rather than go over to Osborne Hall, sat in the dispensary. After 12 I had lunch - little dreaming how badly my Joe was feeling. Now lets us forget all about it.

As to how I am feeling - I should dearly wish to be assured that your health is as good as mine. Blue and lonesome at times it is true but I suppose I should rather expect it. And love you Joe? I am sorry to have to tell you I was mistaken — but you see it wasn't

special benefit. This morning he tells me, I know what you must be doing — you must be writing a volume of books! You must have written a few since you are here. Sesse I haven't had the time to see Mrs Maass, and since the telephone calls, I have not heard from any of them. I had intentions of running up there during the past week but have been so busy — doing, and accomplishing absolutely nothing — that I found it impossible. I shall try next week however. I do not remember writing you that another friend of mine is now holding the position there. Now I shall tell you of some amusing experiences which happened in the dispensary. A few days ago a nigger (and there are loads of them coming in for treatment) had a Rx from one of the clinic doctors. He had this Rx filled before — which meant

that he had received a bottle — after their first visit they are supposed to bring or buy a bottle. And now, that bottles are scarce and high in price, we must try to enforce the rule; - a bottle anyway. Well, this darkey came up without his bottle - and only a few days previous he had been given a second bottle — but I told him I give him another, much to his delight, providing he would be cautious and careful with it. (Such a fuss to make over a bottle) His face lit up with delight - and his eyes rolled with joy. He thank me, "missy" a million times, and promised. He had not returned a foot when I heard a crash and knew what happened. A few minutes elapsed before he made his appearance again and then —

"Missy! Missy!" he gasped and wailed

and perhaps like a great number of good church people, falls fast asleep — and sleeps for the rest of the day. He evidently believes it is nature to the best healer and with nature in a dispensary! — why! — produces wonders!

Up to now, everything about had a mysterious and Blue Beard air about it. Those big buildings set me wondering what they contained etc. Now I have found out that the building which looks like a library is the insane ward! This building faces our ~~the~~ entrance to the dispensary, and so often I was infuriated by the smiles and pleasant conversational remarks of the men who are inmates there and for recreation stand gazing out of the windows. — (but they are terrified; his hat imitating the earth revolving on its axis "oh, missy, missy, "Ah done took de bottle - missy! — It sleeped ma hands"! And de meds nine it done fall out!" Did I give him his fourth bottle, do you suppose? It was worth a million bottles to see the look of relief and anxiety fall from his face — and to see those eyes start rolling again! I am sorry to say that the sorriest looking specimen of humanity (especially among the men) find their way daily to the dispensary. It is in a poor neighborhood. There is one man whom I called Bellamy's special protegé. He comes daily - early in the morning, often before I am in and seats himself in the same end of the same seat, just as a good devout catholic would in his church pew —

barred so I don't worry). They are recuperating patients. I thought, trying to flirt with me, but instead they are pitiful hopelessly insane men. This place makes me feel badly somehow, everytime I pass it now, but I fly past it quickly giving it as little thought as possible — for whose heart wouldn't ache to see these people?

While embroidering yesterday, this school teacher from the boats confidentially asked me about my embroidering. I knew this had bothered her for a long time and finally — "are you embroidering this for your mother?" "my, no, I replied - for myself" "for your hope chest?" came next. "no — for my trousseau" I returned. After a long silence, "But, your ring is on the wrong hand". She informed me, kindly. "no, I smiled" and an interrogative look from her. "this isn't the ring" It was none of her affairs, was it? Let her think what she chooses

I hardly know what to tell you concerning Dz. — You see, he is earning nice money here now, and I think he expects an increase very soon. And as you say it may be a little time before he can earn a living. I hardly think it would pay him to change. What he is striving for, is to become a linotype operator on a newspaper. (He has said nothing definate to me, — I only saw him among with a house full of company for a few minutes Sunday. Barney, who

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Saint Patricks weather. It makes a big difference in the work. Saturday is an Abia hard day. It seems ages since I saw a Jewish face about the hospital. Everywhere it is Irish! In the dining room every thing was draped with green and red, white and blue (like Heshy, Salute!) needless to say, I was about the only one who did not feel patriotism to the green. But believe me, I looked only at our colors, and wondered how any-body could feel any differently. I really saw nothing to admire — the Irish flag. It's the red, white and blue, every time! Everywhere! for me!

is now studying in Atlanta, writes that when he comes home this Summer, he intends to specialize in a certain branch of dentistry and try to take his third year here — and then practise in New York. He doesn't know, ofcourse, if it is possible to make these arrangements, but is going to try, however.

Joe, dear, to-day is Saint Patrick's day — and I don't have to tell you the sort of weather it is outdoors. As usual ——

After all, Saint Patrick has a soft spot for Jewish maidens as well as for his "Irishers". By its being

To-morrow is my day off and
and resting and praying that it
won't be like to-day. It's the only
one I get off in two weeks.

Now, sweetheart, I think I
have kept my promise — It's a
big letter — but don't know
whether it's any good. It will give
you some trash to read, anyway.

My arm sure is tired, so
my love, I shall close with
all my love (You know the number)
Frances.

P.S. Your picture did not come yester-
day either — this morning the mail
carrier was too late — but hope I
shall see it to-night! Lovingly
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March 19-17.

Joe, dear: ———

Whew! but it is cold out—
Have just returned from lunch,
and the wind fairly took my breath
away, besides painting my cheeks
(and nose) a vivid red! But
it feels delicious.

Yesterday, my semi monthly
day off, was a beautiful day—
a mixture of Spring and winter!
Without a word of exaggeration ten
minutes it snowed big flakes
which promised to end in a
blizzard and the very next
second the sun came out to
mock our thoughts, and melt

chance of it but no amount of coaxing could budge it — it remained firm and obstinate. We took the film out — and put it back — first cautiously to prevent exposure — then defying even that — but it was no use. I think the camera has lived its life. If there is only a face with eyes, nose, mouth and ears visable in the picture that was taken of me, I'll mail it to you for your watch, but I fear very much that I shall be blessed with a couple sets of each. In the evening everybody went to the Palace and oh! how much I missed my Joe, then. The

the snow. Did you ever hear or read of such crazy weather? While the sun was out, Nell and myself tried to snap pictures. Nell's were taken first, and when my chance came, the camera refused to work! Goodness gracious! but my face must be terribly awful! You see, one set of films was for Nell, and of these I used one — but I hardly think it will develope nicely — for I am quite sure I moved. When we tried to get the second roll of films in, some how or other the roll refused to move. Everybody took a

is the first I have been to a vaudeville show since you left, and I can assure you, I felt it every minute. Oh! how much, how much, I missed you. Tell me, how did ma honey bunch spend his Sunday?

I expect to see Mrs. Maass to night — and I shall tell her you were asking for her — my! but won't she be pleased!

Joe dear what do you think about the war situation? Mr. Swallow, who is English, and a Mr. Knowles, who is German, discuss this topic from early morn till late night — till my heart fairly stops beating with fright. Tell me what you will do — it worries me ——— and ——— tell me how much you love me (if you do, of course ???????????) Yours happy Sat.



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THAT YOU WILL ENJOY
THIS AND MANY MORE
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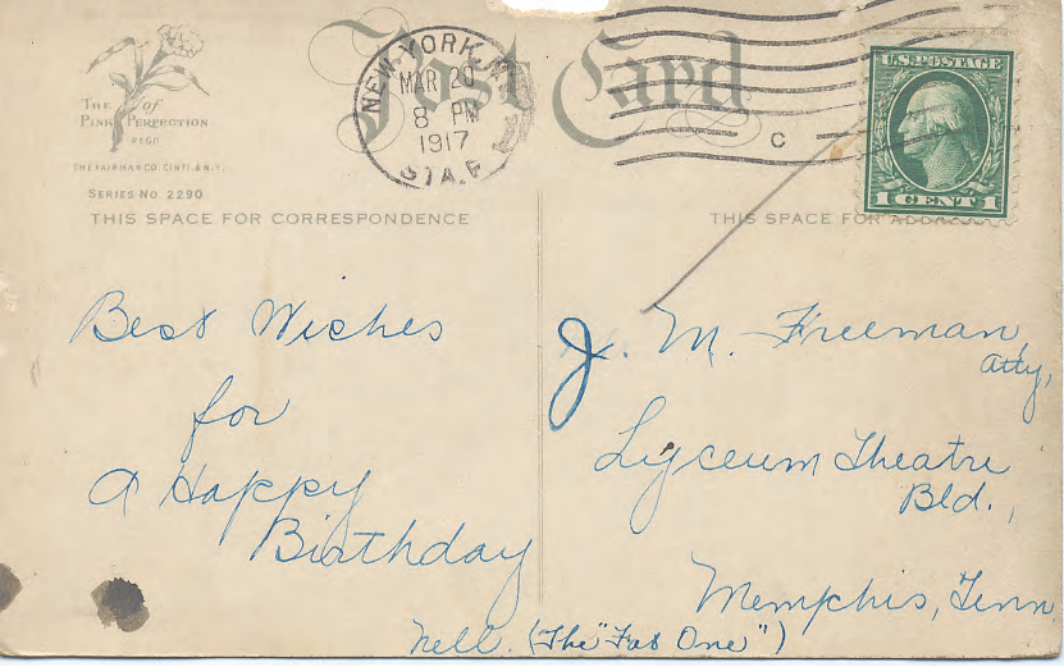
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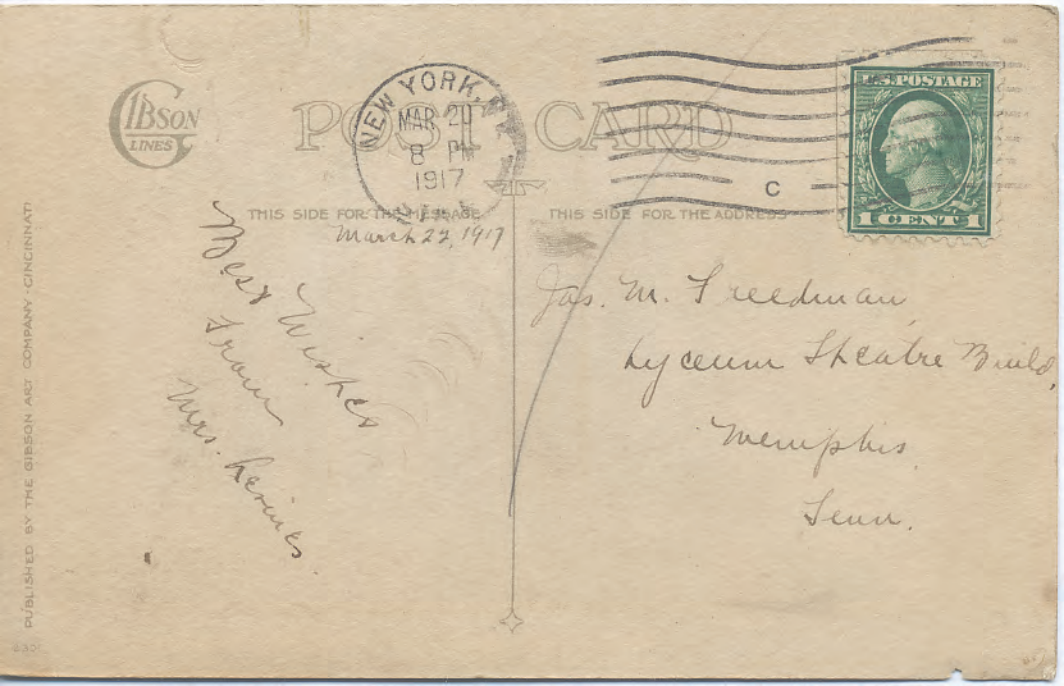


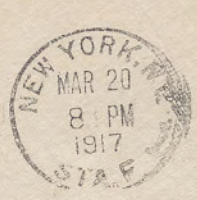


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March 20, 1917.

Darling, precious, Joe: —

You shall receive this letter on Your birthday and Joe, I wish more now than ever, that I could just fly to You, to be with You on this day. Just for this day - at least. oh! but wouldn't we have a good time! It would be a double holiday - it is my birthday as well as Yours - and I should be intent on making You happy - and You should do the same for me - as my birthday present - wouldn't You? It has a pity it is that so many of thousands of miles should be in the way of my expressing my heart

copying it for you to read, also.

The Secret.

I have a secret that I cannot sing.
Because I am afraid the wind might hear,
And stride across the sky to you, and fling
My secret in your ear.

I have a secret that I will not say
Because I am afraid some friend would go
And whisper it to you, my love, one day,
And you would know.

I have a secret that I dare not price,
Although it laughs away my loneliness
For if you ever looked into my eyes —
Ah! You would guess!

And you might only pity and disdain
The love that has set you far above
The other men who love me all in vain,
Oh love, my love.

wishes and thoughts to you. I do so want to tell it to you — and to you only. Somehow or other I feel as though I shant be able to write as I feel — yet you must be happy this day, if its within my power. I wish for you, happiness complete, success, health, love, wealth, — every joy imaginable on this and every birthday for scores of years to come. I wish all that one loving and true heart can wish for another —. And I wish I were able to give my darling sweetheart the birthday kiss that I have to send by mail.

I happened to see this pretty poem, and liked it so much that I am

Isn't it pretty?

Have mailed you a small package insured and am hoping that it arrives for your birthday. Mailed it yesterday — but I fear if it takes as long to travel South as they are delaying your picture, you'll probably receive it by your next birthday. I purposely delayed posting it until Monday thinking it would arrive just in time, now I am worried.

I am hoping you will have an enjoyable day and remember that I am sending you all my love to help make the day extremely happy.

Lovingly
Frances.



BREAKING HOME TIES

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POST CARD

FOR CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ADDRESS ONLY



Found your picture awaiting me when I returned home last evening. It is wonderful and I thank you very much for it. The weather is dreary – and my head feels the same – So please overlook the stingy card.

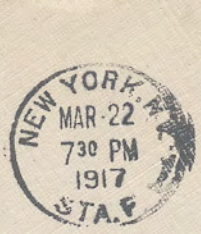
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Thursday March 22, 17.

Dear, dear, Joe: —

What a wonderful day our birthday is! It is not to be wondered at — for besides it being in celebration of the, or rather our holiday, it is the second day of Spring. It is one beautiful Spring day — and so happy was I to see it, that I left my coat off. Simply wore my blue serge dress with my furs. Who can stand a coat in this weather?

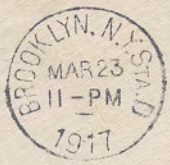
Have been thinking about you all day wondering if you were happy — where you could possibly be and what you could possibly be doing.

well yours?

I don't know what is the matter with me — I must have spring weather. Sleepy! I could most sleep standing up! Sadie did not feel well last night, and I tried to make her as comfortable as possible — perhaps my not having a thorn sleep is the cause of it — but, by Golly — I sure am sleepy. Early to bed when I get home to-night — and I hope Sadie's indigestion is cured! But this really is rare — and I was frightened to death, when she finally was relieved I was too awake to fall asleep again.

Why did you go to the theatre all alone? You should have had some company — couldn't Lee have gone with you? It is no enjoyment to sit alone — I know for I was lonesome even with a party of friends — lonesome for you, all day Sunday. Don't do it again, Joe. I know that during the week you take little or no recreation — I know it — and it is the very worst possible thing you can do. And then this is the way you spend your Sunday — . Don't you see that it is all wrong? Do come, now, spend your Sundays happily and with company — not only your Sundays but your spare evenings as well,

Oh, your picture is darling. Every-
time I look at it, I just feel as though
it were you. I never saw such a
wonderful picture — That expression
in the eyes and that smile, which is
so characteristic, could belong to no
one else but to my Joe. I love it as I
love you. Everybody that comes to
see me, sees you, and receives an
introduction to you. Even if my
mouth didn't mean to speak of you —
my heart — and I guess my eyes do.
It is the standing joke of the family
now- the picture - and I make
everyone acknowledge that you are
the charmingest and best looking person
they ever met or intend to meet.
Loungly — Looks like that man.





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Lyceum Theatre Building.

Friday, March 23 —

Joe, Sweetheart. —

This shall necessarily have to be a short letter — but to-morrow's shall be a big one in answer to your charming one received to-day — because my head hurts me frightfully. I have had this terrible sore feeling thru out my head for several days — it just feels as though my head is one big bruise. And oh! when I touch it! — I am positive it must be black and blue! Evidently I caught cold, and this noon hour I was fastest enough to go down to

the river, hatless. I really thought it was much warmer than it was — and the ridge from the river was pretty "blowy". I am not at all accustomed to feeling uncomfortable in anyway because of my health — but believe me I sure do feel that way now.

So, honey, I shall close — but not before I tell you I love you, with all my heart.

Lovingly
Frances.



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Sunday - 25th.

Hello! my heart!

Have just returned from the Hospital and altho it is Sunday, and I knew positively there could be no mail from you, yet I looked for surety and force of habit - and can you beat it?, felt a pang of disappointment! This is protally because it is not like Sunday to me - since I had to work — I thought the carriers would too, out of sympathy. I promised to write yesterday, and I honestly ask you to forgive me for not keeping my promise, but I shall explain. Nell and Edna invited to a party, and I purposely refused — first, because I wished more to write to you, and secondly, because I realized

that I are forgiven". I tried to console myself that Friday's letter would reach you Monday, and how much nicer it would be to get one on Monday and another on Tuesday, instead of 2 on Monday and none on Tuesday - but somehow it hadn't much of a soothing effect. Do tell me you were not disappointed.

Joe you wrote you had a headache and that you hadn't slept well because of worry at home - How do you feel now, and won't you tell me the cause of your worry? I think Joe, that you sometimes worry over molehills thinking they are mountains. This will never do! You big goosey honeybunch, you must always have something to worry about to keep you happy! Your parties accompanied with late hours, do not agree with, not only Sunday's work, but a whole week, as well, ahead of it; and thirdly because I actually didn't feel or care to go. But who should come along, but Anna, telling me how wonderfull an evening it was, coaxing for a half hour's walk, and coaxing with her was the weather, for it was glorious. So I went, - walking up around the reservoir - the first time since you left. The half hour soon stretched into a hour and the hour into two. Even then I intended to write, but realized that I had missed the last mail. Joe, you don't know how badly I felt, and I want you to assure me

are going to accustome yourself to obey? Well, then prove it to me. And you have not the slightest idea how happy I was to know you were attending the alumni dinner. I think that I like it best! Did you have a nice time? Did you wear a full dress suit? Tell me all about it. I, too, wish I were able to attend it with you — but ——?

I received your picture as I told you before. I have almost worn the portfolio out. Admire and kiss it? How could I help it when it is such a likeness to my Joe? I can't forget you now for a second — I can always see your appealing eyes and smiling mouth. But sometimes it only makes me ache to see you — makes me

ache all the more. Joe, do you think it possible to come home for the Summer. Do I want you to? I don't dare let go of myself, don't dare put my thoughts and desires into either thought, or words because I am afraid of the terrible, awful disappointment which will follow if you don't come. Don't mention it or even ask me again — don't even kindle such hopes unless you feel sure you can come — for I shall only feel more lonely — and as for welcoming you home — well, no, — I don't care whether you come or not, — no — nope! — no! — !!

It is a pity to even think of

in your claim collecting scheme. So is all over now on account of Goldberger's attitude. How has he been behaving of late? I suppose as naturally as ever —.

I have been down to see Mrs. Maass — spent a whole evening with her. As badly as I feel about having to work on Sundays yet I couldn't think of returning. Everything there seems so stupid to me now that I wonder at myself how I could have been contented there for the length of time that I was. Mrs. Maass still feels dreadfully disappointed because of this — and told me with a great deal of surprise in her

your uncle going into bankruptcy — but, if fate has so ordained — well, then it is up to your uncle to get himself a good lawyer — and there is no better than Joe Freedman — is there? After all Joe, you must admit with all your uncle's faults he knows what is good — doesn't he? And "Joe" — "mon Dieu!" "Joe"! And a possibility of mine! Well! ——!

I have been wondering sweetheart how that case which you thought would finance finance you "so to say" resulted. And did you appeal the other case! Have been wondering too, how you and Goldberger are now progressing

voice that I am looking remarkably well - considering. I suppose she rather expected me to return looking the picture of despair. It seems as though she was so designated with Rose J. that she was going to send for me — yes, Joe. I was surprised to know that you were pleased to find I had decided not to return! I thought you liked Mrs. Maass? Why? The pharmacist that is there now — (you sure have it in for thornless American beauties, haven't you?) is lonely. Joe! — you know her! Do you remember once when I was down to see Kate to see Mrs. Suckhard. She was with me, and we both visited the Russian Students

or some other kind of Students club? I later came to your house, and she called for me to go home together? Do you recollect? Well — she is the young lady that is now at Mrs. Maass. She is lonely — last week she came down, stayed for supper and spent the whole evening with me. The only regret that I have is, that while at Mrs. Maass I should have accomplished so much embroidery — which I am so anxious about doing now.

I am so happy, Joe, that you liked the package I sent you. I hardly knew what size Slipper to buy, and after questioning every man I met for a couple of weeks (to their astonish-

ness to you, but, I had to let it suffice – it's all they would spare on one day. So, my love, you shall have to picture (you know that terrible hard number that I can't for the life of me figure out) so many of them there – for that is only a fraction of the smallest possible number imaginable of what I wish for you.

And Thursday I called up to congratulate your mother for her birthday and also to scold Rose. What do you suppose she did? Sent me the most beautiful pair of white kid gloves – She had remembered my remarks about mine having been ment and surprise) as to the extent of their lower extremities. I finally compromised on 6½. If they do not fit, either too large or too small just send them back and I can have them exchanged. They look about the size that your feet ought to be! Are they? And the bag – If it's you please, embroidered in myself. Do you like it? Let me explain to you what it represents. The blue-bird means happiness – and this was symbolic of what I wished for you. My only regret was that it was only had one bluebird! for I could hardly dare ask one little bird like that to carry all my wishes for your happi-

burnt - can you beat that? So pretty are they that I actually hate to wear them. Between Rose and I, we purchase a percolater (for coffee) for your mother's birthday. As yet I have not seen it, but Rose says it is marvellous. But I felt so badly to hear that it did not come in time for her birthday. Rose wishes me to come down for Sedes night - but that Sunday I must work and so promised to call her up to tell her definately. Tell me, did you find my letter when you returned from the court house? You should have, because I wrote on Tuesday. Also tell me how you felt, what you did, what

you thought of - everything that happened on your birthday too! I thought of you all day, my honeybunch.

Now, I shall close with these thoughts, how did you spend this Sunday! like the last? "Am I forgiven"; surely I ought to be, after such a long letter. Do you love me - I suppose not, - but I don't care - but I love you - no - and I don't care - But shall send you, anyway, your Goodnight kiss in this letter.

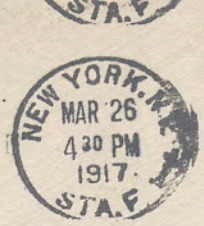
Good night, my honeybunch for I am dead tired -

Your loving but lonesome

Frances.

Are you still smoking?

I forgot to tell you that the Guardsman that wrote that poem must love Penn. as much as you do. It must be a wonderful place and perhaps some day I may pass my personal opinion about it. It sure is pretty. Isn't it strange, but when you were sending me this verse I was copying one I thought pretty for you. I tell you Joe, "great minds run in one channel." Is it possibly one to another word — So again, good night my sweetheart. oh dear I'm tired





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Tenn.

Monday, March 26.

Sweetheart mine:—

There aren't much I kin write to you — cause I'm all knit out. Nothing, except I dreamt of you last night — You were my first thought this morning — and my last thought to-night.

It is wonderously beautiful out doors to-day. The river! — Joe; there is where I can see Battery Park — the bench — and the water as it was that day. The water looks so calm and inviting and with the sun sparkling on it — oh — how it

park for recreation. So warm was the weather that all the kiddies were out in their little beds. They are darling. There was one little nigger pickaninny and I wish you could see him turn his face up to the glaring sun and sleep — as though he owned all the earth. Most of these children are infantile paralysis cases — some barely able to walk — with one leg almost useless. It just makes your heart ache to watch them — and yet they are so happy among themselves, too young yet to realize their affliction. Some of the parents are hopeful and this can make you long for a day of absolute freedom and frolick! It has a naughty effect on my peace of mind — but who can help it? It is the first thing that greets me in the morning and on these bright sunny days it is full of smiles.

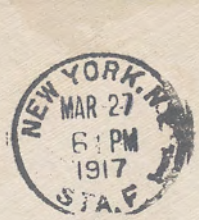
Yesterday I spent two hours there. There was very little to do in the afternoon, so accompanied with a book, I was quite contented. About this time it was visiting time for the sick, and to see the visitors would make you feel as though you were in some park — some

again they see improvement, yet most
feel as though if there is any change
for the better, it is so slight that it
has to hardly visible.

Now, don't forget to tell me
how you spent yesterday; I hope
the weather was as ideal there
as we had it here — you surely
could not have stayed indoors then.

I shall close with all
ma love for ma lady.

Your toots.





Jos. M. Friedman Attn.,
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Tenn.

Tuesday March 27-

My Sweetheart, Joe.

Why should You feel so badly over a belated birthday present?- For that is just what it is — it is absurd for you to feel like this. As for the card, why — You expressed Your wishes in your letter and they were just as welcomely received as though written on a seperate card. I took them as You meant them — from the heart — So what difference wherein you they were written? I have placed

circulars and encyclopaedias for treatments of your disease — of the heart — and they absolutely fail to diagnose such cases — isn't that strange? I hardly know what advice to give — except that besides having my vote — you have my heart, and you surely ought to manage between the two. Let me know how you are feeling now.

Weather is miserable to-day. Perhaps if it keeps up, I shall be going home early. Last night it was a very late before I could leave

with you. Joe, besides my deepest and truest love, my implicit faith — and always, always will, unless Joe, the impossible — you upset that faith. I shall ever remain the same, and knowing how things were do you think, this matter of gifts would make any difference in my feelings? I well know if you had the means you should have done as your heart dictated — and if you write again as you did, I shall be real angry, and never, never write again.

Have been looking all over in all the medical books, journals,

because one of the physicians made
his appearance only when it was
time for me to go home. I had to
wait until the patients were all examined.
Hope to have better luck to-day.

With a whopper of a kiss
to my precious. I close.

Lovingly
Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman Atty,
Lyceum Theatre Build.
Memphis Tenn.

Wednesday March 28 -

Just to let You know I love
You with all my heart and wonder
if You love me as much

Toots.



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Tenn.

March 29 - Thursday.

My darling Joe: —

So hopelessly lonesome was I for you to-day — that I felt that I could stand it no longer. What did I do? I coaxed Mrs. Swallow into allowing me to leave the dispensary at about 10.30 on the pretense of going shopping and went over to see Rose. I felt it would be a relief to talk about you to some one, even if I couldn't see you. I did not tell this to Rose of course — who was so surprised to see me, wondering what could have happened to bring

like that sounds — and I don't know the reason why. Never did I think it possible to feel so lonesome in a place where practically all my friends and relations are. It make me happy, yet sad to see what a difference there is when Your One is not among them. Even their number and combined great love can not overcome my lonesomeness and longing for you. But sweetheart, now I know, and my heart will ever ache for you because you are so far from everyone you hold dear and love. Perhaps it shan't be for much longer — perhaps who can tell, you may come back even this Summer. In all events

down at such an hour. I was more than happy to see Rose — for it seemed ages since last we met. But I could only spend about a half hour with her, because I knew it is almost impossible to make connections (traffic is so poor and slow near the river) and that I should probably have to walk back — which is just what happened. I felt a tiny weeny little bit better — but not much; for this has been the dullest, loneliest, bluest, cheerless and dreariest day I have ever put through. It was a regular rooley, wissy, woozy day — or rather a day

Joe. you know how much I love you

And Joe, if you only knew how well I am. You wouldn't fret so — and threaten to bite off my noses, innocent noses, which have already been amputated, and hardly given time to grow again. Why, I never felt better in all my life as far as physical health is concerned! Really and truly Joe, it was only for a day or so that I felt that I was going to get a cold, and of course had to scream before I was hurt. But what ever discomforts I had have long since passed away — and have long since been forgotten. But, Joe, how come you to caution me so, and disregard your own advice and get yourself such a cold? Now, you must practise what you preach, and do, Joe take care of yourself. Are you doing anything for it? At least rub vaseline in the nostrils and on the nose. This will not only relieve the irritation, but it will help cure the cold. And then if you will take some rhinitus tablets as well you will be surprised to see the quick change. Tell me in your next letter how you feel, don't forget!

You will probably smile, just as I did when I read your letter, but do you know Joe, day before

Now, I must close for I promise Nell to go out with her this evening and she has been calling me at the top of her voice, at least a dozen of times.

So good-night, Sweetheart, and don't forget to dream of me once in awhile and dream of you, (only always)

Lovingly,
Your France.

yesterday, my eyes ached dreadfully just as yours did. This is something new to me, and I was worried. Thinking that I had probably strained them. I refrained from reading and sewing that day. I even told it to mr. Swallow and remarked to him that I had never had that pain or feeling in my eyes before — Do you think it could be that my eyes were sympathizing with yours? I can't understand it. Since then they have given me no trouble. Hope yours eyes are feeling better, too.





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Memphis,
Tenn.

March 30. Friday.

My Sweetheart —

How do you feel to-day? Fine, I hope. Is your cold any better?

To-night I am going to see Katinka in the Shubert Theatre. How I do wish that I could ask you to come, also. It is a New York Show but I dont know whether it is very good or not. Shall let you know in to-morrows letter what it is like.

To-days weather is ideal — I sure was surprised to hear that

list of things and enjoy my own company.

To-day I am going to send you regards from everyone at home, which they so often asked me to do and which I repeatedly forgot. Ly in particularly asked me each time he sees me. You can readily guess how he teases. Kill screws up his face in a smile, winks his eye and says "Ah'yer now, ah'yer write what I told yer?" when I told him "no" last Sunday he sho[illegible]

you had a spell of cold so we are not so badly off after all. Went down to the river to-day to read and you would be surprised to know how cold and blowey it is there. It is too nice to stay in and too cold to sit out and read so I spend half my lunch hour deciding what to do, then when I have already decided I have no time left in which to do it. Oh Phaser! What can one do all by itself? at 11.30 everyone else is working. So I have to make the

my hand and said so solemnly,
"Well, thanks for not telling me an
untruth." He is a scream — and loves
me likes you immensely — but of course
that is nothing to his credit — only
to yours.

Hope I get a nice big letter
when I get home to-night.

Your ever loving,
Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman,
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Tenn.

March 31 - Saturday.

Dear Joe:—

Yesterday brought us word from you and this morning I awaited the carrier and met with the same disappointment. Such a disappointment, that I never before experienced, and couldn't realize, for I had to look several times to make sure that I was forgotten. I am extremely worried - and hurt too - worried because I am afraid something may have gone wrong - or that you are not feeling well... and so hurt because you did not write even a

Tell me how your cases are getting along. Did your accident client settle with the company? I was so sorry, Joe, that your uncle's case came up (to court) when you had just about made up your mind to enjoy yourself. My happiness when I heard that you were going, was for nothing. Tell me how you have been spending your time — You know how I want you to pass it.

Last week, while out in Brownsville, I saw the most wonderful display of furniture — much prettier than I have seen such was the case. Won't you write and tell me how you are? I hope your cold is entirely better now and please, take care of yourself.

Katinka is a really charming play - a musical comedy, full of wit - but every few minutes I would wonder, how you are, what you were doing and why you didn't write — that I hardly enjoyed it as I should. The girls were charming, the songs and music beautiful and the costumes wonderful. The plot, similar to all plays of its kind, wasn't thrilling. But it was very nice, indeed.

anywhere. I saw the framed oak that I wrote you about — and it is indeed very pretty. It seems that the furniture is so much prettier now than it has ever been - or do I only imagine it now - because I take an interest in it? Anyway it is best not to buy anything until I return.

I shall close until tomorrow, and the expectations that I receive a letter to-day. How if I am disappointed again — I don't know what I shall do.

Lovingly
Frances.

Read my check to-day and feel like a multi-millionaire but am broke





Jos. M. Freedman, Atty.
Lyceum Theatre Building
Memphis
Tenn.

May 2 - 1917.

my darling Joe: ——

Saturday night's letter explained why you hadn't written, and I felt much better after reading it — although extremely sorry that you had to work so hard and so late. But, picture how much it will mean to you. It must be a big case to require all this work — and that's what you need - something big to start folks a talking and talking route of my precious Joe. (all mine).

To night I am going to see of Miss Gould's art studio's where

wonderful, and that I must positively come. She has met and knows the different artists and should they be there to-night I, too, shall have the honor of talking to them. So anxious am I to see these pictures of this friends of Carrie's for I have heard so much about him.

I can hardly describe to you the delightful change in the weather. It was as warm as any summer day. Ladies were going about in dresses without coats.

A few artists are exhibiting some pictures. One of the artists is a dear friend to Carrie (the young lady at Mrs. Maars' dinner), he extended an invitation to her and she invited me. It is on West 8th St. - not so far from the dispensary - and I have arranged to meet her. Miss Hamlin has donated the use of her studio and I believe the pictures have been placed there by these artists with the purpose of selling them. Carrie has been there before and she tells me it is nothing short of

It made me think of Dear Gate days. Really, I must was tempted to pull out my bathing suit. All day I thought of you and wished either you were here or that I could take a little walk over to Tennessee. I want to see you so much. Do you think really and truly, honestly, that you may come this summer, as you wrote in your letter? oh yes! I hope so. Tell me just how you feel about it - whether you think you will be able to or not and tell me if you still love me a tiny little bit.

Your loving but oh so lonesome sweetheart





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Apr. 3 - 1917.
Tuesday.

Darling Joe -

Yesterday's letter was a big fat one, but not one half as big as I would have liked it to be. But when I reached the third page I began to read slowly - up to that time my eyes just flew like lightning - because I wished it to last longer. It was a scream - just like a child would save his candy to make it last longer - But to-day - no letter

filled to the ix of Presidency.
I must get me an American flag
to wear. At the Met. Opera House
a band of 100 piece stood up to
play the Star Spangled Banner—
with enthusiasm, but the audiences
display of patriotism overpowered
the band — and imagine, the brass
band was not even heard.

Rose called me up last
night to ask me if I wouldn't
come up for Seder, but, as I
wrote, I was up to the studio. I
called her up to-night, but Rose
for — I guess you don't care
anymore — but — neither do
I — not even a tiny bit. — I don't!

To-day has been extremely
exciting because of the president's
address. Don't you think it is most
wonderful? You should see the
burst of enthusiasm which has
popped out all over! At the various
theatres it was announced, yesterday,
and in a second everyone was on
his feet shouting Hurray! Hurray!
for Wilson! He certainly is the
greatest man that has yet

was not at home. I shall reach her to-morrow by phone, for I shan't be over either night — my uncle is having a big Seider and I know he would never forgive me if I went elsewhere. I will be down during the week however, & Rose and the folks came to see me. But I do feel extremely sorry. I wish, Joe, that you have a nice time during this Easter week of holidays. Will you attend a Seider, — perhaps your uncle's? I hope, for your sake, that things have been patched up. Tell me how you are spending the week — I should like to hear — happily.

I had a delightful time yesterday. It was held at Mrs. Payne Whitney's Studio. There I met all the artists — and to look at them one would hardly imagine them capable of producing those wonderful pictures. I was a little disappointed to find their hair like any other man's, — but nether-the-less, a few redeemed themselves with artistic ties. I have the catalogue in the dispensary

You shall come home for the Summer? Naturally I feel disappointed, but realize how you feel about it. I should have loved, dearly loved, and long to see you again - and wish so much that you could come - I know too the expense it means — and can only say - do as you think best. If you don't come, I shall understand, and if you do — well, only then, will you know how happy I shall be to see you - to really see you again - my Jae.

and will send it to you. One artist sculptured out of wood - or rather carved from wood - the prettiest statues imaginable. Most of them - all but one - are young Jewish men - and they have that sorrowful expression on their face. It must be a hard life - don't you think so? — for it is only when they are dead, that their works are considered a piece of art — when it is too late for them to share a little of the pleasure

So after all, you don't think

I don't your professors take such an interest in you more than pleases me - and if they tell you they expect you to make good, is it anything more than I have told you and that I knew, long, long ago? Indeed not! They may be professors — but in this particular case I know as much as they. And, too, I am just as anxious to be down to meet that professor of yours — the bachelor one — maybe more for then I should be with you — as he is to meet me. At least he displays good taste in taking an interest in you, and that's greatly in his favor.

Have been writing very quickly, to get this in the last mail — and I am sorry it is not quite as long as I should like it to be but must close

Wednesday.

April 4-17.

Sweetheart mine:

Called up Rose this morning and was delighted to hear that she has a place in which to do real practical pharmacy. And such a lovely place, too! This is just what she needs - and I am sure they will not only take an interest in Rose, but explain and teach her the many little things that practical pharmacy only brings out. Rose is quite happy about it - and so am

Louie. How is your case progressing now? anything new? And how is my sweetheart feeling? any more headaches? How are your eyes? And your cold in your head - is it better or worse? Do you wear your glasses?

Spring has come for sure now - and with it spring fever. Gosh! do I feel tired - and do I long to loaf! It's a pity to have to stay indoors in this weather. I expect I shall be there early enough to run home for supper. The work is hard here - for we are dreadfully busy - but I am learning so much about medicine & - for I know she will begin to see real pharmacy and I can't regret anyone taking up the course. After all pharmacy is very fascinating.

I explained to Rose why it will be impossible for me to be down either Friday or Saturday night but promised to be down next Wednesday week. Rose also told me about your writing for her to call me up, because you had so little time to write. You are a dear, Joe, and Rose did call the night before last - but I missed

people and the world, which I should never have known in a million years in a drug store like Mrs. Maass. The people are so nice. The nurses, the doctors - everybody - are simply lovely to me. There is a tea served for the nurses alumni every Tuesday and they came over to invite me. Now I shall run over every Tuesday afternoon. Yesterday I had a delightful time there.

Am anxious to run home to see if there is a big fat letter from my precious sweetheart. How I do enjoy reading the letters - and how many, many times I read them - and so many times do I send you a million kisses and all my hearts' love. Your loving Sweetheart

April 5 – 1917
Thursday. ——

My Precious Joe: ——

Mr. Swallow told me to sit down and write that daily love letter or else somebody's going to be dreadfully disappointed. I looked up at him in surprised and asked him "why, do you say that?" "Oh," he smiled "you can't put anything over on me." No, I guess I can't even if I do plead innocence with every breath.

In yesterday's letter you told me you were enclosing a clipping

at I have reached home. I don't know what makes me do such fool things

You asked me with whom I went to the theatre last — with Nell, Emma Weinstein, my cousin and brother. There I meet a few people I knew. Last night I got home early and in the evening we all went to see your favorite moving picture star — Guess whom? ——— Nope — ~~Nella~~ Bara. But was tired — and Sadie not feeling well enough to go, remained home — So I didn't want to see the entire thing — besides it rained but I don't think you did, for I turned the envelope inside out, looked all over but could find no clipping! Will You mail it to me, for I want to read it.

Good Grief, for a cyclone! Did it do much damage in Penn.? It seems terrible to me — anybody hurt? The people must have been very frightened. The weather here to-day is cold and dreary — feels like snow. I was dressed by the weather and started out without my coat — but have on my heavy blue serge dress and furs — and hope it is going to rain or snow it will cool me —

about it.

Now I am going to tell You a great piece of news concerning Fz. Do You know what he intends doing? He is going to invest what money he has at the end of the year and become a partner to the firm for which he is now working for — isn't that great? In a few years he will be drawing big money — so I hardly think now he is thinking of any other state.

Am enclosing the catalogue that I told You about.

Oceans of love
From
Frances.

Friday Apr 6 - 17.

Darling Joe: ——

Feel so blue to-day - that I scarcely know myself. Received your poem yesterday - it is very, very pretty - and that expresses just how I feel and I know just how you feel too. I do wish you were not so far away ——. I don't know how, if you are unable to come home for the summer, how I shall put three a year like these 6 weeks have been. Really, Joe, as the time goes by, I feel more and

What do I think of the war situation? well, even though I had expected it — and known all the time it would come sooner or later — it struck me like a thunder bolt. Pres. Wilson has acted admirably under the circumstances, and I do not miss you to thank for a second, Joe, that I am not a true patriot or that I do not love my flag and country — for I am sure none could love either of them more — yet. Who can smile at war? the horrors of a war, Joe! I do can forget them. You know the papers and magazines are full of them, vividly more lonesome. Do You? do You think You can come home this summer. I imagine, if You do come, — it means three long months — and if You are unable to — then over a year to wait. Sometimes I become angry with myself — for I never felt so impatient before — and never so there — but I guess its because I care for You so much — and still see You so little — (never at all!). If my letters bring You consolation — why — I do want You to get all that I can possibly send them — even if they are as they are;

described. I am afraid of conscription;
I am afraid to enlist anymore – but
I shall act like a true American,
and try not to reason why and
wherfore – for America is a stake.
I only hope with all my heart
that for America to gain her rights
will not mean a long war or that
many lives are to be shed. The hosp.
and dispensaries will be packed and
shall be only too happy to make
myself useful. If there is con-
scription would you want me
to join your reg. as either a
pharmacist or nurse? But, there's
no use worrying, and I shan't cross
the bridge before I get to it – but things
do look serious – don't they? What
do you think about it?

Tadye has been in terrible
pain since I wrote you that she
has not been feeling well. She
had had three teeth extracted,
and then on the following day
went out shopping for a whole
afternoon. The result was that
she caught cold in the wound —
and suffer! for three nights she
was in such pain that she could
n't sleep. We had the doctor up-

but he couldn't do anything for her. I was up most of all last night called up this morning and afternoon and they told me she felt much better - & that the intense pain had left - for which I am happy.

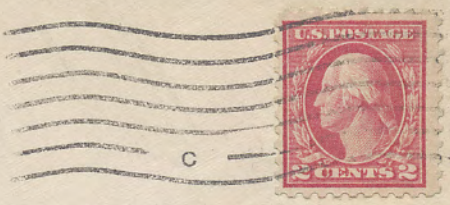
To-night is first Leiden night and I hope for, you are enjoying yourself. Let me know how you spent it.

It is getting late now,

So I must run along, or I'll be locked in - So am sending you heaps of love from

Your loving
Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman, Atty,
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April 7-17.
Saturday:—

Darling Joe:—

When I arrived home last night it was to find that Sadie felt real badly again. Another night of suffering for her and no sleep. Can you picture what sort of an Easter week it has been for her? To-day I called up home and twice they called me - She feels about the same. I wish you could see the size of the package I am taking home for her - I can

most important part of his visit)
and leaves you worse than before.
You can just bet that there are
same big fakers under the name
of physicians, with all due respects
to your room mate, of course. Why
they ever allowed such a quack
doctor to even poke his nose in the
door, is beyond me. But you can
rest assured that they two visits he
made will be all he'll ever make!

I do not remember writing
you or the letter - probably I had
been thinking that you were here
and that you were coming home —
assume you. She be comfortable
to-night. Last night I surely
thought she would sleep the
night thru. I made, for her, a
nice hot milk punch — but sleep
not a wink! I do hope she'll
be herself to-morrow. I feel sure
that she has neuralgia and as the
doctor said, swollen tonsils besides.
Yesterday there was some new
fangled doctor — faker, I mean,
thats pokes and pushes you, looks
wise, takes your money (the

this is no rare thought. Sims sorry that I wrote you such a blue letter yesterday and I only hope it was not as blue as I felt. But with Sadie being ill, not sleeping well because of Sadie, the weather being dreary, I feeling so tired — You * thousands and thousands of miles away — who could help feeling blue?

How does your friend Isoldberg behave, of late? You speak better of him, so I suppose he is acting contrary to his disposition — and acting gentlemanlike. Did he ever pay you your money. I am wondering if you shall continue your partnership game with him after that collecting agent — are you? So, Jae, you have become an expert scrapper? mind that you leave all your scraping behind you when you come home — come — come, well, I don't want to have to win all the time. You just act like a regular big lawyer with those creditors and make them believe black is white; I am

lady, and ofcourse it was a case of love at first sight. But - (there must be a but in every story) the young ladies mother objected because of the difference in religion - and that the family name would be disgraced. I assured him of a good lawyer in memphis that could see this mother, for him either for alienation of affections or else for deflamation of character - But, what do you shppose? only sorry that I am not there to help you. I know you will make good - and this will mean a great deal for you.

I, too, have been trying to drum up clients for you. Theadore who works for us in the dispensary was once a soldier, and in the course of events was shipped to Memphis Tenn. (Strange but the only other Southern State he was in was in Georgia - atlanta). There, in memphis he met a young

he lost her address!! But never
mind shall still keep my eyes
open for any possible cases!

Must work to-morrow —
good thing it!

I had close with a
big whopper of a kiss and
love from
Your Frances.

Am in a hurry to get home to
see how things are — am rushing
home with an Express.





Jos. M. Freedman Atty,
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Memphis,
Tenn.

Monday Apr 9-17.

Dear Joe: —

When I awoke this morning, it was to see a real winter's day. Snow about a foot deep — everything so pretty and white. As usual I started off late this morning — and when I reached First Ave. I was running at fast as I possibly can. Across the gutter and "zip"! just where the snow was all melted and dirty I had to fall — my feet just slipped from under me in the most undescribable manner. My coat, dress everything was soaked with dirty

happens.

Yesterday it seemed as though Sadie was entirely cured. The medicine I gave her seemed to help wonderfully, but at 2.30 this morning she worked out, and it seems as though the pain came back again. This morning she felt a little better. Yesterday's weather was cold and raw, and feeling better as she did, and with a lot of company at the house to see her, she became a little careless as to drafts.

I am going to call up Nell soon to find out whether she felt well enough

water, but in a jiffy I was up and running again. Besides coming in late, I came in like a drenched cat. Mr. Swallow sympathetically wiped as much of the mud as he could from my dress and coat — all the time scolding me for rushing like that — "I was late anyway," he told me, "so what was the use of rushing; at the most I could save 5 minutes." On account of being up with Sadie, I was late several times last week, but Mr. Swallow was always there to open the dispensary for me. Yet I feel sadly when the

to go to school for the afternoon as she intended doing or whether Mr. Pain came to stay with her for several days again.

Do you know that I didn't receive any mail Saturday? Now, I am absolutely, positively, doubly sure that you don't love me anymore — but with so many fascinating young doctors in the dispensary. — I don't care — There are a few in particular, who are very fascinating and nice. To-day one of the patients brought me a bouquet of wax roses and one paper Easter lily — this is the bouquet was a pretty Easter booklet. How are you enjoying your Easter? And how are the matzoths agreeing with you?

Despite the fact that I was working yesterday I enjoyed myself immensely. By 2 o'clock there was nothing to do, and I knew the rest of the afternoon would be just as exciting. It was so hot in the hospital that I felt I should suffocate, and the pharmacist who is on duty with me for Sundays is as kind and as nice as can be but oh! such a bore! but interesting? well, as much as any fat pharmacist can be at the age of 40 who is married

In one of these shops she had an immense bronze statue of George Washington, copied from Houdan's original and which America is presenting to England. Up along 5th Ave. I walked up to 41st St where the big library is. It is such a wonderful place - such a beautifully built structure. It's been years since I have been there consequently everything was as new to me. Such beautiful statuary! I hadn't much time to spend in the art galleries - but - to Bellevue Hosp. but otherwise enjoys single blessedness! He is continually getting on my nerves - he is the type that is always running around like a chicken with his head cut off - and is doing nothing. So I just told him I was going to take a walk. Walked to 57th Ave expecting to see the Easter Parade. Whether it was because of the weather which was rainy and promised snow, or for other reasons, I do not know, but there was no parade. But there are so many pretty art shops and I certainly did enjoy looking at the pretty quick knacks they displayed.

the next Sunday I have to work—
I will be up there for the afternoon.
I thought of you all the time and
while in the ~~museum~~ library with
each thing I admired, it was with
the thought that when you are
home you too must see it. When
I got home there was a lot of compa-
ny and they left soon after supp-
per — so I went with one of the
girls to her home where they had
a family reunion and ate in one.
We sure did have a nice time.
Tell me how you spent your
Sunday — and if it was because
you were to busy again you did it to write.

Lovingly
Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman, Atty,
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Memphis,
Tenn.

Tuesday April 10 - 17.

Darling Joe: —

Last night I received your letter dated April 5th so it seems to have been some delays in the mail. Today, - this morning - I was pleasantly surprised with one dated April 4th. I have to smile every time I think of you sitting next to a lady that looked like me and because she did, you wanted to speak to her. Pretty soon, Joe, you'll have me thinking all Memphis resembles me. You are a perfect dear, loveable crazy cat. and I love you so much - but — You must not allow yourself to

me. I know what an ache it is — even though it was for one day — but that was plenty. Do you know, I think, if besides your glasses you'll wear a green eye shade you'll find it a great relief and it'll take the strain off the eyes — but, I know you won't do it. — so why talk about it?

Yesterday we had Prof. Lawrie down to see Sadie, and he left everybody feeling easier and relieved. Especially mother, relieved from both anxiety and *. He said as everyone had said that it was a case of tonsilitus and adenites. He left

become blue. I love every bit of you but the blue part — & br-r-r-r I hate that part! don't like the blues! so you must stop it!

You must, Joe, wear your glasses continually for that is the about the only thing, I guess, which will give you any relief — and besides you must help along by not over-straining your eyes or by using them too much. Don't read at night — for a while anyway — besides, good long walks will do you more good than harm. Don't you think so? You promise to obey — so, do this for

a prescription for exactly what I had brought home for her — maybe, I did feel like a big profess! Anyway it made a big difference in her — she feels better and is beginning to sleep better, too; for which she is happy — and I am too. It was well worth the money, believe me! — I was beginning to forget how to sleep!

Sweetheart, mine, I am so sorry that Sweden might was such a blue one for you, yet it reassumed much more readily colored for me. I was sorry, however, for you — but so happy that you can make a Sweden! I was surprised to know it! but I shouldn't have been — do I must for that day to come? We'll invite everyone to make them happy and to let them see how happy we are — but! as usual I don't know anything I should know — so you'll have to teach me — a little schüler" — how to prepare for our Sweden — (but you must promise not to tell anybody about it — how stupid I am). Sometimes I am ashamed of myself. Are you, too, ashamed of me?

You tell me not to worry about

is you do! ——— Ah! ———

do I want to see you in a uniform?
Yes - I want to see you but not in
a uniform. But one thing I must
you to promise me - if those things
should happen that I am cruelly
praying against, - that you must
go to war - that you will come
home, first. Will you, Joe?

You see that New Yorker knows
you pretty well - or he shouldn't
have passed that remark. You should
have felt so complimented - he should
for recognizing somebody worthwhile
when he sees one. This proves that
war - not worry! - you may just
as well tell the waves of the ocean
not to roll. (How can I help it? For
when you have to go, I shall be
giving up all that is dear to me.
I can only hope that things will
not go as far as that, - that the
severed relations will be mended.
Yet if our country needs you -
that is the least you and I can
do - when America is actually at
stake - we must prove ourselves
true Americans and patriots. I
shouldn't want to say that you
shouldn't go - but believe me -

he is a brighter man. Hed your bachelor profession thinks me forward?- I really didn't mean for you to tell him. If he still thinks so of me, Joe, wont you please, Joe, extend my apologies to him - for I truly dont wish him to feel so.

Why should you feel so, towards these poor artists, Joe, ? They are not only a hard working lot, but one which is a greatly misunderstood. After all, Joe, it is a talent - and every talent should be appreciated. One of the artists told of his life - which was such a dreary one - so without any cheerful prospect, that his sad face did not have its sad expression for nothing. Some they may perhaps turn to something else, yet painting, with all its miseries is dear to them - it is where their heart lies - just as dear to them as law is to my precious Joe. Everyone likes to enjoy a pretty picture. Some more than others - even you admitted it, Joe. - and somebody must paint them. And not every one can - only those unfortunates that have the talent. Motion pictures and cameras can, to a certain

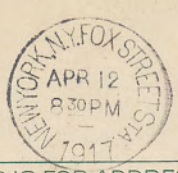
Jewish. one, a Jew, was a cripple
a pitiful hunch back - and his
pictures it seemed portrayed his
miserableness. They were all so dark
and dreary — surely just how he
must have felt.

I shall see Rose Thursday,
I expect. Was indeed surprised to
find out that she had written to
you about the story. Could it be
that she wanted to keep it a secret
and surprise you? or has she
written to you since about it?

extent bring out natures healthy
but in form only — the artist
is the one that can produce it
in natures colorings and shadings,
in natures charms. Perhaps if
you too, had seen these artists
and their works - some of it is real
wunderful — you too would be
less critical — I know you would
be, if you could see their sad faces
and yet so kind. I don't approve of
them all - but the few that I
met were really very nice. All
with the exception your — were

Yesterday and to-day was real cold. Hope its winters farewell kiss — cause I sure do hate this cold changeable weather. Imagine! I had to wear a heavy dress, my big black coat and furs! my coat. I haven't been wearing this past month at all.

This is the fat letter you asked for, but I doubt whether it is a nice one. Sure I worry you about nasty green eye shades and the about artists — but — "Oh lobe you enyhow". As a proof here is a big kiss from Your Frances.





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Jos. M. Freedman, Atty.
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Memphis Tenn.

Thursday 1:30 P.M.

Dear Joe: ——

Since writing to daughter, I have met Nell and she had 2 letters from you — read both the evening one (before) and the first one (after). Have just stopped at the corner drug store. If your home — should be up to see the folks in a few minutes. Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman, Atty,
Lyceum Theatre Build.
Memphis Tenn.

Wednesday
Apr. 11 – 17.

Darling Joe: ——

Yesterday was a pretty exciting one — for besides being a busy day for me - it was a regular visiting day as well. One of the girls from college came down to see me, and remained — the dispensary all afternoon, and we went home to gether. Went over to the tea party at Osborn Hall with the head

seeds - which Ty is going to plant for me. If they bloom we'll have a pretty flower garden.

How are your eyes feeling to-day, honeychuck? Still wearing your glasses —— and a green shade? too? Sorry I am not there to make you take care of yourself - but some day ——.

To-day is beautiful again. Spring has returned. To-morrow is the 12th and the meeting

nurse in charge here, and had a lovely time. Besides this the various doctors and nurses, over continually coming in - and everyone seemed in such good spirits — that we were laughing all the time.

The gardner brought in a beautiful fern for me, (he brought in one for Mr. Swallow, too -) which I took home last night. It certainly is a beauty. He promised me some pretty geraniums, too. Besides, he gave me about 18 packages of

of your uncles creditors. Sincerely hope everything will go as you wish and expect it. too. You will write and let me know, want you — and on the 22nd - you will know if you are coming home for the summer.

Here's hopeing you will.

Lovingly
Frances.





Jos. M. Freedman,
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Memphis
Tenn.

Apr. 12-17.
Thursday.

my dear J. Freedman, Atty,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Sir (no more darling Joe) —
I wish to inform you
that I didn't receive any mail
again yesterday and wish to
further inform you that I am
very angry — and still further
to inform you that I don't love
you anymore.

Hoping to receive a —

favorable as well as an early reply,

I'll remain until then,

Respectfully

(Miss) Frances Clara Lewis

N.H.

P.S. But after then your homing toots,

Or why didn't you write?





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Friday 13th April - 17.
(Hoodoo day).

Darling sweetheart Joe: —
Yesterdays letter worried me because you wrote your eyes still pain you. My poor Joe. Have you been wearing your glasses steadily? If you have, and if your eyes still continues to feel strained, then I want you to consult the oculist. This you must do immediately and without fail - for either your glasses need changing or the your eyes need treatment. Let me know how you feel now.

Nell and I had a delightful time at the house yesterday — but everything and everybody reminded me of your absence. The brains in the entways and when I got off at the stations — and I thought of the time, — as I walked up the station steps going home — when you were angry at me because I changed my ring — You were angry at me, weren't you? — although I was fooling and didn't think so at the time — but you really were. as I wrote you last night — well had your two letters when I met her last night. I was so happy to get them. that I sat me down right away on the station bench and read them: for, I want and hope you'll be coming home for the summer — this hardly expresses how much I want you to come — I simply long to see you. Tell this fellow graduate of yours — that you simply must come home and that he should use all his influence on his uncle.

Rose is looking dandy - Says
Your father and mother. Sally and
Henry. Your grandfather looks
particularly well and is more
charming than ever. But, we got
home so late Joe —. I told Rose
if she ever cares to see me again
she'll have to come up to my
house - as I positively refused to go
up to see her again until she does.
She promised to come a two weeks from
Coming Sunday and your mother
will come too, if she is able too.
But please dont mention the fact
when you write home to the folks.
With all my everlasting love
Your lonesome
Sadie

Sadie's
telling
letter

many thanks
for same

Sadie





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Sunday - Apr. 15-17.

My precious Joe: ——

I tried to write to you twice yesterday while at the dispensary and both times was interrupted; first by Nina Mcgagenia one of the girls from college, and the second time by Ada Berman and a friend of hers. Ada came down with her friend about 4 o'clock and stayed until I went home. In the evening Nell, Sadie, Ly and I went up to see some friends and it was quite

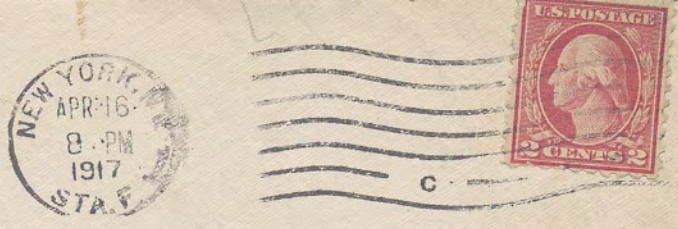
awfully! What are you doing? I am wondering?

I felt dreadfully blue when I read that there was a possibility of you not coming home for the summer — but what a relief when I read your second letter in the evening. I felt so blue all day — and had started to write you just as I felt and just what my heart kept saying — that you should come home anyway. I want you so to come home — that — Joe — I don't care when we returned — yet all the time you only were in my mind and I wanted so much to write you. To-day we have a houseful of company — I do believe every aunt, uncle, cousin that I have is down to-day, oh, I do wish you were here — carry on! — and fun! We are carrying on like nuts, dancing, singing and laughing. Just now Zy is at the piano playing some Hawaiian music and I wish you could see and hear the dancing and music that is accompanying it. Oh! it is

never what is do or say. Yesterday
Nothing mattered - only that you
should come home - but to-day I
realize what it means as far as
money is concerned - So annoiating
patiently waited about the 25th of
this month - waiting patiently and
hoping.

Joe. You shall have to forgive
the appearance of this letter - since
that tear by being spied me writing
(and he knew it was to you) said that
either I came in and dance with him
or else he was going to read my
letter - Naturally I wouldn't allow him
to do either and the appearance of the
letter is the result of the struggle -

P.S. I shall get even with him. I'll tell all my love. Yours



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Monday Apr. 16 - 17.

My darling sweetheart Joe: —

All the way into New York this morning I could do nothing but sit and dream of you. I wondered how you are feeling, - whether your eyes still pained you - whether you were up yet and if you were what you were doing. And I wondered how you spent yesterday - if you were lonesome and immediately, I felt that you were. I don't spend your Sundays as you did a week from yesterday - alone in a motion picture show - and

the sides of the rock they moved which took besides these two, my father, uncle, and two brothers to just move it with crow bars. I never saw such an obstinate rock! — but believe me, we sure are going a have some little farm. Mom said we can fix the yard up nicely this year. Cabens, hummocks etc; so besides being so useful it will be ornamental.

I have read in the morning paper of Wilsons second address to the people — and since then I haven't lost a single second reading about — You have been working so hard and you need a little recreation. and then I wondered if you would come home. Do you know Joe, that I think and feel sure that somehow things will turn out as you expect them to — and that you will come. Dear, I hope so, anyway!

Yesterday Iz and Morris Weinstein (Anna's brother) dug up our garden in the back and we are going to plant it full of vegetables. In the front of the house we will put flowers. You should have seen what hard work it was. Picture

of worry. Things seem so loose
here now. Before the week is over
we shall probably hear more about
the conscription which Pres. Wilson
is so anxious to have enforced. Joe,
I don't know what to think — I am
so worried about you, and never have
I experienced so much anxiety. Tell
me what to do — In the department
all I hear is war, war, war, and
everytime they say it, it just cuts
me like a knife. I have regretted
a thousand times, for your sake, that we
didn't go to Jersey — what do you think
will be the end of this all? Write me
that you love me because I miss you
so much. Loving ly — Lotta





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Tuesday May 17-16.

My dear precious Joe: ——

Yesterday, did I receive a big wonderful letter from the most wonderful sweetheart of mine? and did I enjoy reading it every one of the million times that I did? Um——, did I? And what do you suppose, Joe, this sweetheart of mine asked me — do I love him anymore. Asked me this — when I love him more than anything in this world — & judging from the constant longing pain in my

I can hardly understand the mix up in the mail. If you received the 10th, 11th and 12th in one day, then on the two days previous you were "mailless". And yet you only mentioned in one letter about it. Oh well, I suppose you are "gooder" than I am, but it only proves that I love you more than you do me. However your letter of Saturday arrived on time Monday — but last week surely was mixed up.

I am extremely sorry about your eyes — but still, whether you hate your glasses or not, you

heart — too much. I miss you, long for you and love you more than I ever dreamed possible. Even when I am busy at the dispensary I think of you, wonder what you are doing and then send a kiss. Perhaps it is because you are so far away but it seems as though the messenger forgets to come back with mine. Or maybe — most probable — you don't send it. But tell me that you do, and that you love me, cause I, too, am so terribly, dreadfully and awfully lonesome.

should wear them — I wear them continually — otherwise your eyes will be so bad that when you come home you won't be able to recognize me. Do wear them, please Joe, until your eyes feel better; otherwise you are going to have a pretty sore pair of eyes — and how could I love you then? with red, twinkle looking eyes? But if you wear them when you should, before long you can leave them off entirely. Yes, I guess you settled "the green eye shade question" because you expressed your feelings so strongly and emphatically that there could be little doubt in my mind. Nevertheless, I was going to send you one just to tease you. But do, honeypunch, take care of them.

As for Rose, she certainly is working hard — too hard. Of course, she doesn't like Pharmacy! Do you call her position a pharmacists'? I surely am glad that in three months she expects to have finished, and once she passes the State Board, she'll surely realize what Pharmacy is.

going to feel differently. So far she has accomplished more than any other of our young ladies alma mater's. For, to practice in town does one have to pass the town, State Board of Pharmacy or does the very fact that they are New Yorkers satisfy them. You know that is some rep. as to your ability, and knowledge and I really think that enough to suffice them.

Had a fine time at your house last Thursday and found everyone well and happy. Your father came

As a junior one can't be too particular or expect too much, - but when one is registered - then - your practice Pharmacy. Rose tells me she enjoys going to this store in the evening; but I told her if she finds it too hard, why, to go down two or three nights instead of the four. I am afraid after the novelty of it wears off, Rose will find that it is too much for her; but of course nobody could convince her so now. But Rose is sure to put her practice into use, and then I am positive she is

have sent a new coat for your mother and one for Henry. You should see how proud this junior brother of yours was that it had a punch-back just like Joe's!

The high cost of living evidently has struck the hosp. as well as every place out side of it. I really became quite sick back yesterday and to-day — and why they should make us suffer is beyond me. Everyone complains the same. I am not going to stop for suppers anymore — somehow the luncheon does not affect me as the suppers did. Isn't it an outrage for a city's institution to treat folks so — especially when we are paying for it? You should see the milk — the meat I wouldn't eat — and coffee makes you think you are drinking boiled pepper — and the color quite matches the taste. It they don't improve things, I'll not eat there, for I think too much of my stomach to ruin it. Goodness knows what those poor mortals do who suffer with their stomach —

after, he says, if I choose to,
I can marry, and then stay there.
And the man that I marry must
pass his ownership - otherwise
well - I pity the poor fellow who
could ever get what he promises,
don't you worry - he'll like you,
I know. So often I want so badly
to tell him about you - I want to
talk about you all the time - for
I am never so happy as when I am
either talking or thinking about
you. He often tells me he is
suspicious of that party down here.

But as for Woburn Hall, I had
a delightful time there again to-day.
This nurse is lovely to me. Mr. Evalyn
is too. He shows and teaches me
everything, shows me all about and
makes me feel so important. He
always tells me that I mustn't
get married - at least not for a
few years - Of course I tell him -
Oh, no - otherwise he mayn't
teach me as he does - and I do so
like to learn as much as I can.

but I pretend absolute indifference
you know Joe, I only pretend it.

If only, you can come home soon.
In about a week I shall know, won't
I? You just keep up keeping those
creditors in their place — and
your uncle, too. Here luck to
you — my sweetheart, Joe.

Not no letter to-day but
shall look for one to-morrow.
Hope it is another big fat one. Just
don't forget that I didn't mean what
I wrote in my Russian letter —
but you tell me just how much
you don't like me. Longingly
Your Frances.





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April 18 - 17.
Wednesday.

Dearest Joe: —

The weather is most wonderful to-day, and I wish you were here to enjoy it. Everything is budding and becoming green - and it really makes you happy. How is the weather down Tenn. - it must be real hot now.

The nurses of Bellevue are going to parade along 5th Ave this afternoon to show their patriotic and enthusiastic spirit. The

but — my eyes go not a green eye shade; do you want them?

Barney is coming home from Georgia within a few weeks to spend his summer vacation here. It hardly seems a year has passed since we were so anxiously waiting for his boat to come in. Time surely does fly. He is going to inquire if he can't take up a year here together with another course in a certain branch of dentistry and so remain here for good. He is

nurses home, from where they will start, is opposite the dispensary. So if I am not busy I may see them. They could not have a more ideal day to parade in, than to-day — and I am most sorry that I am not a nurse for I should love to be out this afternoon — even at the expense of parading.

Now tell me how you have been feeling — and your eyes! Better, I hope: I think besides my nose and head, I should have to send you my eyes —

a little discouraged as this has been a dreadfully hard year for him.

Has anything new or definite turned up in our big case? And did my big scary sweetheart have a hard time beating the creditors! How are your other cases getting along?

Here's a big kiss and a big hug from

Your everloving
Frances.

Perhaps when you answer this letter you will know if you are coming home soon.





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April 19. 17
Thursday. ——

My dear Joe ——

It is evident from the papers that conscription will pass the senate and you know sweetheart, what that means. You will be among the first to be drafted. Talk about feeling blue — all the way down this morning it was all I could do to keep from crying while reading the paper, even now, as I am writing. Joe, I want you to come home, immediately, if you are able to. Your case is settled by now —

hoping and wishing that every-
time will be alright. How wonderfully
nice your college friend is - tell
him I think so of him and that
I thank him greatly.

Can't write anymore but
you answer this letter immediately

Your loving
Frances.

To-day is the 19th. I am afraid
if you delay anylonger you won't
be able to come. Travelling will
be difficult, - so come, won't you
Joe, as soon as you can? I can't
and don't want to think of anything
but that you will be home soon.

Hope everything turn out nicely
in your uncle's case! Were you in
anyway disappointed? I hope
not - have been thinking of
you all morning and have been





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Apr. 20-17.
Friday:—

My precious Sweetheart —

wasn't I the crazy cat
to write as I did yesterday!— but do
you know, I was so worried - and wrote
on the spur of the moment. The bill
hasn't even passed the Senate yet -
and here I am fretting - but I am
pretty sure it will. How did your case
turn out? Did you get as much as
you expected? Expect that I'll
know to-morrow.

The parade that Senate

spirit of '76. It sure was beautiful and wonderful they tell me.

I am sending you a clipping from a morning paper about Bellevue's loyalty of her country. It sure is a joke. It had as you suppose they did! A moving picture man was down - and of course produced the most spectacular thing for the screen you can imagine. They had the doctors at the plow breaking up the earth. Of course it looks and makes a wonderful impression when seen on the

You about only took please yesterday. It was an immense one - 60,000 paraders - and took about 4 hours to pass. I was not able to go - as we were too busy in the dispensary - and gosh! was I sorry! Bellevue nurses were there and they sure did look pretty. The parade was held in commemoration of the anniversary of Pauls Revere's ride and also of the battle of Lexington and they called it "Wake up, America". Aeroplanes were flying about and dropping down pamphlets urging the

screen and the poor mortals, that see it here it. Say - you're in" we are even more particular than that — before we break up our big back yard — almost as big as Bellemeade, yet the motion picture men are not running around crazy to snap pictures of it! By heck! I hope our gol darned crop is big!

Was there about 4.30 yesterday afternoon and expect to go home about the same time to-night - if not earlier. Stopped off at the big dept. Store yesterday in B'klyn and looked at and admired the pretty things. With a big kiss to my precious sweetheart Joe, I am ever lovingly Frances.





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April 21 - 1917.
Saturday.

My precious Sweetheart -

It is now about 6.30 P. M. and I have already had supper and writing to you from 6 Thorn Hall. I have been so dreadfully busy today that my bones, it seems, fairly ache me. But I should worry! Am going to the Lovedy Theatre this evening with Carrie and shall walk up to meet her as soon as your letter is written. Have to

letter that you would be home for the summer! I know, sweetheart that you love me — but I want you to be with me for the summer. When you come, we will decide about being married, and love you! why! I was foolish enough to think I did when you were here. Yet that is nothing in comparison to how I love you now. but that is why, if you are in anyway able to, why I want you so much to come home for the summer. do try and come for I am so lonely for you.

work to-morrow. Well and I have been invited to a party to-morrow evening so to-morrow will not be all work and no play. It is going to be a Japanese party, no chairs - we have to sit on the floor. I expect it will be a pretty affair.

I tried to await the letter carrier this morning as I wanted to know how the case turned out - but the rainy weather must have delayed him; I couldn't wait - but oh! how I wanted to know all day, whether you wrote in the

We had a regular holiday to-day Barnum's circus came down to give the children a treat. It was such a miserable morning that I thought surely we would all be disappointed but promptly at 9.45 two big buses came in the gateway loaded with clowns, acrobats, trick dogs and all the brightly colored painted mortals imaginable. I was just as excited as the kids were, and believe me none of them enjoyed it more than I. For an hour and a half we had a continuous circus preformace, with all its accompaniments such as a brass band, a director with a high silk hat, a policeman with a big padded stick and bowles, and what not. I can't imagine how they could ever have carted all that stuff. There were camera men all over the place - on roofs + even four of them were from the various motion picture com-

There were reporters around. To sum up
of course, and should I see an
account of it, I'll mail it to
you.

I meant to write to you before,
that I am happy to know your
eyes are feeling better - and I
do hope you will continue to
wear the glasses so as not to
strain them again. I bet you
are tired after all that hard work
on your uncles case. Now, take
care of yourself. Glad that visit to
the suburbs - being you that nigger

parties so it may even reach
Memphis Tenn. And I wish
you could see those poor kiddies
Honestly. I felt good to see them
Should you see it in the pictures
let me know - because they
surely will feature them.
They took in the whole per-
formance on the reel. One of
operators looked something like
you - and I wanted so much to
go over to him - but - why,
I am getting as bad as you!
(but he did look like you - smoked cigarettes, too)

case?

Do I miss for a little garden and a home for you an I? oh, do I, Jee, — so much so that everytime I think of it my heart fairly stops beating I know it will be a happy one — and if I am able to, a pretty and cosy one as well. I am embroidering every spare moment that I get — but embroidery takes so long — and I want it accomplished so much, that I imagine things will never, never get done. Yet I don't discourage Tell me some more how much you love me for that is the only food my day dream get — and I sure do day

dream of late with Keeps and Keeps of kisses I imagine to you from your lonely Lads.





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April 23-17.
Monday night.

My love: ——

When I arrived home to-night it was to find your letter awaiting me. Eagerly I tore it open to find out the result of your case. Joe, sweet heart — my all, — I can't describe to you how I feel — I can't — it seems as though an aching heart and oceans and oceans of tears are all there is left of me. If only I could cry away your loneliness and

-makes me wretched. You must come home this summer, - of that I am convinced and my precious Joe - if you think that because I didn't consent to go Jersey was a sign of any doubts in my mind as to my love for you - then we shall be married when you come home. But, Joe, I can't do it secretly - at least not unless you actually and truly want me to - and you know how I feel about it. Never have I done anything secretly and this would disappointment - if only I could talk to you and soothe you - if only I could assure you of my sincere and devout love for you - if only I could - but pen and paper is the only way I can comfy and prove to you, Joe, how sincere I am in my love for you. It is hard for me to write on paper the deep and true love that my heart holds for you - but it is there just the same - waiting for you And that you feel as you do

cause me unhappiness. I would
feel as though I had done wrong
done something underhanded - and
Joe, this is not in my disposition.
Before I go anyfurther - I must
ask you sweetheart, my Joe -
to understand me - that this is
no sign of any lack of love for you -
understand me Joe - because I
am full of tears and sorrow and I
could not stand any doubt in your
mind. When we are married I want
to be happy - so happy that I
want everyone to know - to
be so heavenly happy that I
shant be afraid to show it - I do
not want to conceal anything - nothing
We want to start our happiness
with frankness and openheartedness
My love, can't you see that it
is because of my deep, ideal love
for you that I hesitate? Don't you
realize that I must long and wish
for you just as much as you do for me?
and that it is just as hard for me
to have day and day pass without

I read your letter this because
former and former fixed in my mind.
If we are married in summer, I
would love to take the State Board
in Penn. and practice there. Do
you think I could get a position
there in a hospital or dispensary?
I shall have experience, you know in
that line and I feel confident of
myself. I shall say a word until
I hear from you — what do you
think of the idea? Tell me.

And why do you tear my heart
a sigh or a word spoken from
you? Don't you understand Joe
that I am engaged to you — no-
one else has any charm to me
but you. That you are lonesome and
alone, Joe, just cuts me to the
heart. My love, I am sorry, so
sorry. I want you to make more
friends — to enjoy your spare time —
I want most of all to make you
happy.

until I hear from you, I
shall say a word of this plan. As

to pieces by talking of war? War! I hate it! Joe, I don't want to hear your name unless I share it with you. Your name and you a "dead hero" — Joe, — why do you write like that? Please don't — you hurt and cross me so — when you do.

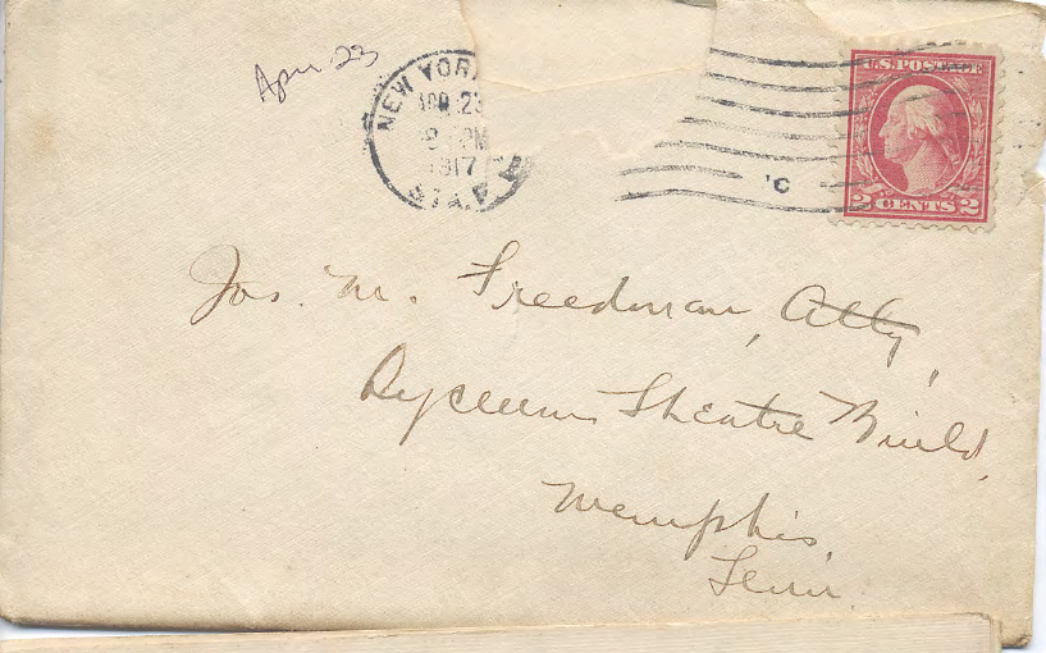
You mustn't discourage or feel disappointed over the case. If you do not realize as big a sum as you expected — forget it. I don't want you to feel that I am disappointed I am not — I am only proud of you — my Joe and future husband the case means more to you than money. You have made a footing for yourself — and you have proven yourself competent in a big case. You should feel proud and happy! Money is not everything. And as for your "friend", well — one has to take people as they find them — you can't make them over. Simply act wise and continue with them — but I

love, love so much my dear
lawyer husband man. Now,
do you believe me — are you
convinced?

I must wait patiently until
wednesday — to-morrow I expect
there will be no mail — well, I'll
be patient and hoping and praying
that my Joe is satisfied with
his fee. Not only do I pray for
you every night — but my heart
should advise you to break
with him. You have been taught
your lesson. he has proven him-
self in his true colors — you
just act accordingly. That is
the best way. I guess one must
be a diplomat to get along —
And don't discourage — mind! —
that is the worst that could hap-
pen. And always remember when
you do feel lonesome, disap-
pointed and blue that I love

just calls it out every time I
think of you. You are coming
home for the summer, I know—
Something will happen to make
it so. And if not. Cohen will do
for you what you expect he will,
then you need have no worry or
loss. And I am sure he is a
good person and will do this for
you.

Write me immediately and
tell me how you are feeling now,
for I shall be in suspense until
I hear from you. A million kisses
and all, all my love. Yours only to be true



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Monday
~~April~~ April 23-17.

My darling, precious Joe: —

It is wonderful to-day. Just to be alive makes you happy. No picture if you can, how happy I am to be able to enjoy the weather — and while enjoying it - thinking of you! thinking of you all - all the time - whenever I see anything or hear anything I admire, the thought always accompanies it - that when you come home, you too must see or hear it. 'cause I love

for you financially and most of all whether I am going to see you this summer. Oh, am I, dear? I hope so with all my heart.

Had a delightful time last Saturday night and Sunday. The plays were beautiful. There was a friend of carrie's there, a pharmacist also, who after the performance took us to the Automat where you can always have fun and Cattie took us home. I saved the program to send to you, but I must have

you so. Even saturday letter I will not allow to discourage me perhaps you expected too much - and the receipts were as good and as big as they should be. Don't discourage of the whole thing - but, you were tired then, and I know you feel better and differently now. Waited the carrier this morning but there was no word from you. Expect the letter will come in the afternoon's mail but I was anxious to know as soon as possible how the case resulted

dropped it out of my arm when I rushed out of the train last night coming home. I was extremely sorry. Yesterday I had to work and spent the afternoon and evening and in the library. I cannot accustome myself to being alone and I certainly was lonesome. But it was a thousand times better than staying in at Bellevue and listening to those men talk, talk + talk - and about nothing. In the evening I went to the party and there I sure did have a nice time

I thought I should be too tired to enjoy myself or help to entertain as I had been standing or walking practically all day. But this was soon all forgotten - just as soon as the victrola began to play. It was a surprise party you know — and for about 20 minutes we were kept in suspense and ready to yell surprise or bust paper bags and blow horns. The room was dark except for the light the lanterns gave, and there we all sat on the floor leaning

like troopers again yesterday. The seeds are all sowed. There is lettuce, corn, radishes, tomatoes peas, beans. - (that's all I can remember). And on the end of each row, Ty fixed up a little tombstone - Here lies Mr. Tomatoe etc. At least that's what I told him it looked like. In order to help us remember what is planted - each row, he planted a stick there and tied the envelope the seeds were in on the

against the walls, not our feet tucked under us. All the girls had paper flowers in their hair and I guess I looked more like a Geisha girl than a Yiddisha one.

Expect to call up Rose during the week and tell them to come next week fair or Sunday. I hope the weather will be as nice then as it was yesterday.

You should see how nicely Ty fixed the garden. They worked

top of the stick. It sure does look comical — but never mind we are going to have some fine long Ital. vegetables (at least I hope so). The gardner is bringing in some plants for me this week for the front garden.

I am extremely tired so shall close with a big hug and a squeeze.

Lovingly
Your Frances.



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April 24 - Tuesday.

My precious Lonesome Sweetheart -

How do you feel to-day? I thought last night was going to be a sleepless one for me - I could think of nothing but your letter - I wanted so to console and cheer you - and then when I realized how utterly impossible it was - how far apart we were - I became miserable and felt so helpless. and to-day my mind is far removed from my work. for, understand that I love you and

Joe, I want you to come home as early as possible; because when once Congress passes on the bill it will immediately be put into force. Little time will be lost and within a few days everybody will have been called. Try and make arrangements - you know best if you can do so - but come home just as soon as you possibly can.

Last night after I had written your second letter, Rose called me up. What do you think, Joe? Your people are moving back to

me not my assurances enough to prevent you from becoming blue over it? That you should even have the tiniest doubt hurts me - When I told you "yes," - I love you with all my heart, I thought, then - but now I realize that it was only a beginning and since has multiplied and doubled a thousand-fold times. Now, sweetheart, don't be crying me such badly but tell me in your very next letter that you feel fine and tell me too how much you love me.

B'klyn - not so very far from where we live. Oh! was I happy to hear so! & gladly released Rose from her promise to visit for next Sunday; but Rose promised to come down some night the following week. Write you. too, happy that your folks are moving back to B'klyn?

While over at Astoria Hall to-day some gentleman sat down to play on the piano. First, Joe, you could have heard him. He was a marvel - from one beautiful selection he would drift into another - unconscious of anyone or anything but the piano. I was sorry when it was time for me to leave for luncheon. Write me that you do not feel so lonesome, your - and remember always I am

Your sweetheart





Jos. M. Freedman, Atty,
Lyceum Theatre Build.
Memphis, Tenn.

Apr. 25 – Wednesday.

Dear: ——

Has do you feel to-day? My heart longs and hurts for you so, that I hardly know what to do. Half afraid and half expectantly I waited the carrier this morning, but your letter was not there; which means another morning and afternoon to be spent in impatience and wondering. Yesterday I was disappointed in not hearing from you. Telling as you did Saturday, you should

of the weather. Yesterday it rained but to-day more than makes up for yesterday's behavior. All over the grounds the buds are blossoming. The gardener brought in four geraniums for me to-day which I am going to take home this evening to plant in our front yard.

Expect to see a Tale of Two Cities in movies to-night. Sweetheart but I wish you were here to go with me! Will you be home for the summer? I am afraid I might read no-to-night-and-then—

have dropped me a line Sunday, my heart, to tell me whether you felt better or the same. Yesterday was a fierce blue one for me. How did you spend your Sunday? If you spent it as you did a couple of weeks ago — well — then I am going to get very, very angry and when I do see you — "I am going to bite you nose off." So take heed! when I am angry — ugh! I am merciless!

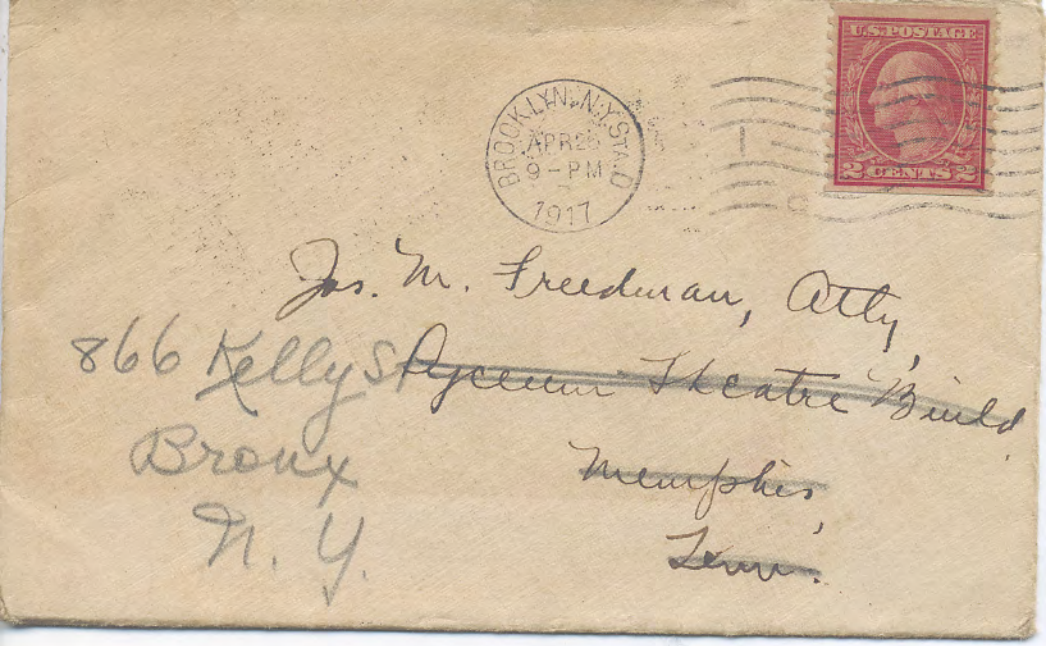
I only wish you were in New York now. For, you would have to be happy if it was only because

I don't know what I shall do, all my hope will be gone. I don't want to make you feel blue — but you know me — that is all I have to look forward to. Sweetheart my heart and thoughts are with you all the time. Can't you feel it?

Now Sweetheart you take care of yourself, give yourself the rest and recreation you need; and be happy, make the best of things and take people as you find them, treating them accordingly. And pray Sweetheart that you take a trip to New York Evan and above all, keep on loving

Your terribly lonesome for you

Frances.



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April 26 –
Thursday night.

Most Wonderful Sweetheart of mine.

Have just dropped your afternoon letter in the box. Came home, and half afraid opened your letter. I had schooled myself to meet with disappointment and Joe! I was thunderstruck! —— dumb with Joy to know you are coming home —— and so soon. Ah Joe! I am afraid its too good to be true! Happy! I gratted

I could read no further for a few seconds but then I spied "may leave here around the 1st." Joe, I shall never be able to tell you the happiness that overcomes me. I am so happy — so happy that only your presence can add to it.

Am going to finish supper, couldn't wait until I was through to write to you. Got home unusually early to-day and made straight for home for your letter.

Sadie says she is feeling well and happy — but believe me not so much as I.

Good-night, my precious, precious dream sweetheart until I see you. No kisses to-day — no nothing until then, my love.

Your own own

Sweetheart

Toots.



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~~St Louis~~

Thursday – Apr. 26 - 17.

My precious: ——

If my letter gave you the assurance of my love, then I am happy - but nevertheless, I am a crazy cat and I shouldn't have written it to you. No sooner had I posted it than I was sorry, because I was afraid it would worry you. But I was too frightened and worried to think straight. I am still uneasy for it is only a matter of time when the bill will pass and

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am anxious to get home this even-
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because your letter was short!
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go into effect. Sweetheart, I can
only beg of you to come home just
as soon as you can.

I knew yesterday before I
started home that I would be
disappointed. I had to turn back
about a dozen of times — and
this means positive disappointment.
Still I rather the suspense than
an absolute "no." Even if this case
does not bring you enough to do
all you planned, I want you to come
home anyway, will you? Come —

the change in the weather. Such a trick to play! To-day is freezing cold and raining. No signs of it clearing up either. Furs, and our coats just about make you feel comfortable. Glad you are in a state where you don't have to put up with it.

Tell me how you are feeling and remember I don't want you to worry over anything. Simply take care of yourself.

Your loving sweetheart
Frances.





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April 21-17
Friday: —

My precious Joe: ——

Can't understand why you didn't receive any mail — but I guess you found it awaiting you in the afternoon because I wrote daily - on two days twice a ~~day~~.

I am so impatient now that I know that you are coming home. I feel as though the time will never never come. Last night I awoke several times wondering why I was so happy and when I realized

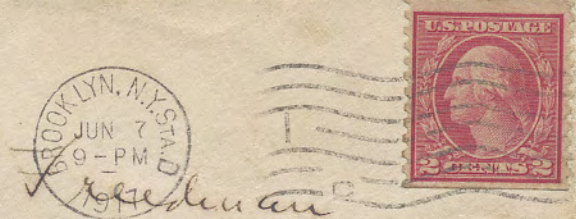
to him. Naturally you had to be in it. Barney is coming home for the Summer, too, so you can meet him. He will be home about a week later than you.

Joe, you sure are a pig-pigy. I thought Sat was wonderful. When I saw that number believe me, I was some proud of you. But perhaps if I knew the work it involved, I should feel differently. Glad you came - as long as you are coming home - that's enough - that is was because of your home coming, oh, I felt so, so happy, that I cuddled up to Sadie and soon fell asleep again to dream of you.

I dropped a letter to Barney yesterday and told him about you. I owed him this letter for about 6 months, and when Nellie told me for at least a dozenth time that he was still waiting for an answer I felt so ashamed myself that I sat right down and wrote

I was so happy when I came in this morning that my face must have plainly showed it. Mrs. Smalley remarked it - saying I must have slept particularly well. Oh! I was aching to tell him, but when he told me again to-day that I shouldn't dare think of marrying for at least 6 yr. I fully made up my mind. What do you suppose he said Joe? He fairly took me off my feet when he said. I wouldn't be a bit surprised if you came in and told me you were going to be married in a week and go south. Joe, I told him absolute nothing and when

I write to thank him I am going to tell him. But he mustn't say a word to the Ramsays about it. I'll tell them myself. Now Joe, I'll tell you all about my old family by



Jas. Mat [illegible],
U. S. Marine Corps Reserves,
Barracks Detachment,
Navy Yard,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

June 7, 1917.

My darling, precious Joe: ——

It is not because there is anything in particular I wish to tell You, but because You asked me to write, that this is being written — So don't You expect anything much — cause I don't know what to write. There is nothing I can tell You — You (being a bright) know everything except how lonesome I am for You and how much I love

It seems queer to being writing to you but I am mighty happy that I do not have to put on a Memphis Tenn. address. Even if it does take me an hour, 45 minutes and 59 seconds, exact by the clock - to write your address.

Have been wondering if you liked to-day since it looked so much like rain. Tell Col. Moses that I said he should give you a pair of rubbers

you. And this you could never know were it you were Supreme Court Justice of U.S. But you know my Joey. I am not a Smart Lawyer - so you had better write to me just how much you love me, and do not leave anything to my imagination - cause well you know. I am nothing but an ordinary common pharmacist - that explains how much? Sense I have.

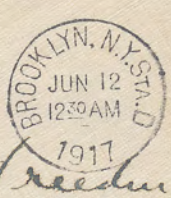
boots, a raincoat and a man
to carry an umbrella over you,
I be wants you to be out in
the rain. First day I said so.

I will probably go to bed early
to-night - feel so tired that
I can hardly wait for the
dispensary to close.

How would you like me to
call you up to-morrow evening
at 8.30? It will be late before you
are through with supper — and you
know — our time is rather ex-
pensive at 10p per 3 minutes - so that
is what I'll do. — remember 8.30.

Lovingly — (1/10/31)
Frances.

How is your
wrist clock?





Jos. Max Freedman,
U. S. Marine Corps,
Barracks Detach.
Navy Yard,
Brooklyn N. Y.

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June 11 - 1917.

Darling Joe: —

Have just returned from the despensary - and tired! Mr. Swallow started, unexpectingly, on his vacation this morning and thus threw me right into a big bunch of work. And sweetheart, when I got home - well - I felt just as though I had joined the marines and taken a hike to Prospect Park and back

Precious, my arm is painfully sore — I shall see you to-morrow night — so accept this big fat kiss and hug as a proof of my love — ; even if it isn't much you know how much I do love you.

Did you write to me to-day?

Your ever loving but oh! so tired & lonesome —

(what?)

so it suit, on a scorching hot day. I fairly ache all over — I am sure when Mr. Swallow comes back, it will be to find me either in the morgue or in physopathic ward!

Going to bed early to-night and do hope I'll not be too tired to sleep. Couldn't sleep well last night. A certain person will whip very fast, marine suits, enlistments — all these were responsible.





Jos. Max Freedman
U.S. Marine Corp Reserved
Barracks Detach
Brooklyn Navy Yard.
N.Y.

Friday Eve:

Precious:—

Have just called up to find out how your father is feeling. The doctor found nothing serious but advises your father to remain in bed for a few days. Your mother

Yassured me there is nothing to worry about - and because I know how upset you are, I am writing to you. So precious. You see there is no cause for alarm or worry.

Instead of you travelling out to my house or to the dispensary I told Yaw Mathew I would come straight for the shop. To your house.

Yours lovingly Grace





Joseph M. Freedman Esq,
42-43 Goodhart Building
Chicago Ill.

Jan 13-1917.

Dear Mr. Freedman :- (I do mean, Joe).

"Was I ever angry"? Well— I was very, until you asked that very question in your letter and to my surprise when I had finished laughing I forgot to remain angry. But I must be frank and tell you how awfully, terribly angry I was— all because a certain "Juvenile man" (whose name I must not disclose) far-far away, forgot to answer a letter of mine. So angry was I, that I even refused to look and admire his picture which smilingly hung on the wall. My only answer was that I was angry at this particular

of your disappointment. I realize what this would have meant to you but only have a little patience; you surely will get there; for you have already proven that you have the ability. Only a little time and then you will get there on your own merits on the proving of your own ability, rather than by the influence of political friends. Rose has told me how nicely you are getting along and perhaps I wasn't happy and elated to hear so; for I do so want you to succeed in your profession. (Even if I do so meanly though jestingly

person. After awhile curiosity got the better of me, & when I did look, I sure was surprised to find such a wonderful portrait. They certainly are wonderfully taken - all of them - I should have asked to ask but I knew there were so few. Now, have I answered your question? Can I become angry? And all because of an unanswered letter? So please don't ever make me angry.

I was truly sorry to hear that you were a little disappointed in your plans and I could not help smiling when I read of your attitude towards those whom you think are the cause

knocked it.

I have seen Rose very recently. Several of the girls from college met at Rose Poundeph's house (I believe you have heard of her if you have not met her). I expect Rose will pay me a visit next Sunday. I am extremely sorry you are not able to accompany her. Rose, dear, is becoming so tall that I almost begin to feel about two feet high.

I have been trying to imagine spring weather and warm rains - but even that has no warming effect. Insist, please, you could capture some of it and send it down up north.

We, too, are having rain, to-day, but quite different from your weather. It felt like snow all day - so terribly cold and raw, but it developed - a rain. The last few days have been the coldest yet this winter. While you folks are probably strolling around in spring attire, let me describe to you the sort of wearing apparel that we Northerners have to resort to. To-day I have on a heavy serge dress, a woolen sweater, a heavy coat, and furs, which reach up to my ears and a big muff. It sounds as though I lived - the north pole, doesn't it, - well I can

this list went into effect in April and therefore expires about April 26, 1917. The civil service commission informes me that I was certified for appointment in the Bellevue Hosp. but they had my address recorded as 70 Fulton St. As the letter came back "not found" my name was taken from the list. Since then they have informed me that after a meeting they decided to restore my name on the list, which I thought was very nice of them since it was they that made the mistake. Imagine, even though I headed the list this is the way it was

assure you the north Pole couldn't be much colder.

As for myself I am just as happy and as well as ever. Since last I have written to you I have engaged the services of a lawyer. Ahem! a lawyer As you weren't here. I had to resort to a young lawyer who has done all of Mrs. Maass's (my employer's) legal work. I feel Quite important now — as most every one of importance has some kind of a law case hanging after them; haven't they? This is all about my civil service examination which I took over a year ago and passed higher

respected! Now they offer me a position in the dept of charities which I will accept only if they give me 1050 a year. The stipulated salary is 900 but this position is one which requires the pharmacist to relinquish all their profits, which is anything but attractive to me. I shall hear definately within a few days, altho I really do not expect to be accepted. I should like to write to you more about it in detail but my arm, time and space prevents. In my next letter I will write more.

Please do not make your letters short because you fear that my leisure time is limited — I thought that was real mean. but no please write a big long letter real soon. Sincerely yours

Remember literally you owe me three so kindly write a long



Joseph Max Freedman,
U. S. Marine Corps Reserves,
Barracks Detach
Navy Yard
Brooklyn N. Y.

June 15th 1917

My Dear Man, Joe ——

Isn't to-day wonderously beautiful? Shouldn't mind particularly if I had to walk to Prospect Park to-day. Am wondering what you are doing to do about your light suit.

Just as soon as you left last night I went to bed and do you know, this morning found me so lazy and making so hard that

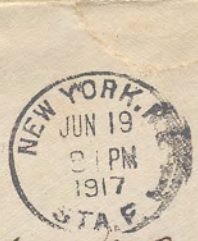
I stopped up last night he was gaining consciousness, slowly and not being able to do him any good, and not caring to see what I knew he would suffer. I hardly stayed. But he sure does feel fine to-day, considering. Now this afternoon I must make my round in Theo.'s ward. Already I begin to feel like a visiting sick committee.

Poor Sadie waited for three hours yesterday for the it was Sunday morning that I was off. And just doing it — look how long I have to wait for that morning. For one thing I decided for certain — that is a cold, cold word. Least ways, I'm not going to see you to-night —

I ran up to see Jess's brother to-day and found that he was resting quietly. When

rain to cease, and finally
after all the waiting had to
start for home with all those
kiddies while it was still pouring
She sure did have her troubles.
Came home 5 o'clock, soaked!

Now, my precious Succotash,
Joseph Max-Freedman, I must give
you a big fat kiss and a hug
and draw my letter to a close.
Am only sorry there is not
enough room left for me to
tell you how much I love you.
Yes, you know you are the only precious
in the world — and all mine
Lovingly Toots.





Joseph. Max Freedman,
Barracks Detach.
U.S. Marine Corps Reserves
Navy Yard,
Brooklyn N. Y.

June 19 - 1917

Precious Joe: —

Won't You be surprised to receive such a speedy answer to Your letter! and whats more I am writing from the dispensary! Mother was to Mount Sinai Hosp. to visit my uncle and stepped in to see me — and — brought Your letter with her!

I am extremely sorry that You could not sleep because of me — but am I You — to

so I ran, pell-mell - thinking it was from you. What a disappointment to find it was Barney and naturally the call was for Nell!

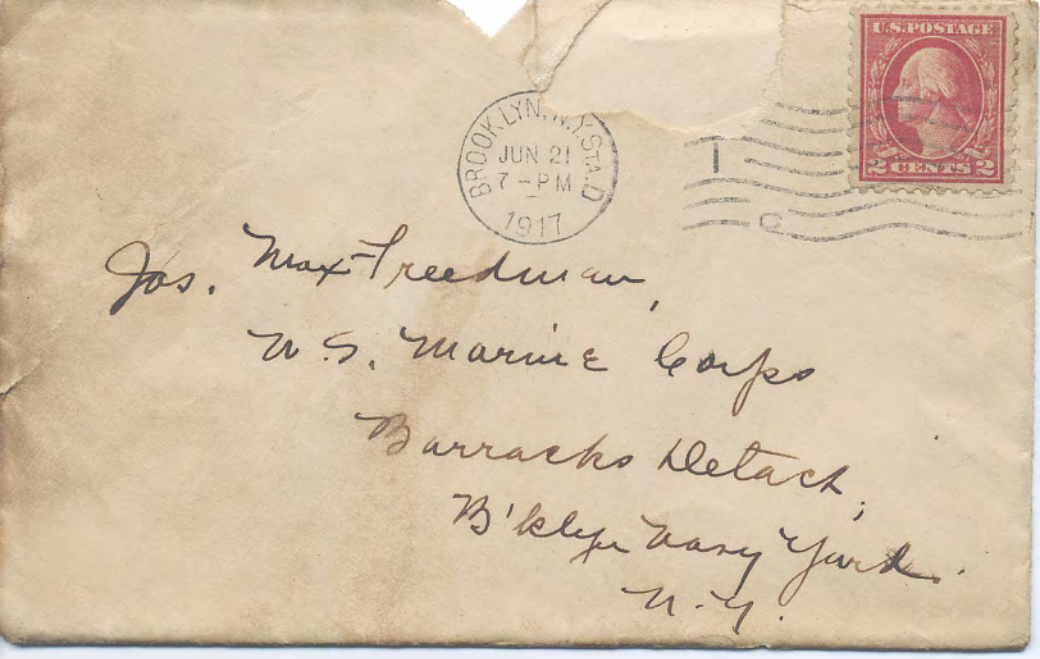
I shall have to kiss you good-bye - am busier than a busy bee - it seems as though I shall never, never get through with the rest. I see you to-morrow?

Your ever-loving Toots Frances.

How does your head? Want? Poor, funny lunch.

be scolded for it? Things were just as hard to-day - so what did you accomplish, Succotash? But, anyway I love you for your sympathy - but you must'nt allow it to interfere with your sleep.

Last night right in the midst of my supper, the boy from Benjamin's announced - "Miss Levine - call on the telephone" naturally I thought it was the only Miss Levine that existed -



Jos. Max Freedman,
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N.Y.

June 21-17.

My darling precious Joe:—
The only thing I know of which to write, is that I love you - but - I love you so much that by writing it once does'nt begin to signify one million of the amount that I do — so —. The only thing left, is to fill up the rest of the letter with I love you — I love you. I love you I love you I love you. I love you -

So good-bye Sweetheart
look out - and don't march
in the Sun - or get wet feet
or, - or leave your rain coat
off!

"about you care" is I do
Love You - I love you
anyway -

Your loving
Toots "Baba". (yes?)

I love you - I love you -
I love you - I love you -
you —— you — you —
and only you.

Am going home to-night
and try and do something —
such as sewing - its so hot
to-day that I mean my
sewing can't much longer? It'll
melt clean away —— and
all that will be left for you to
bury will be a grease
spot and my teeth.

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Barracks Detach.
Brklyn Navy Yard

June 27-17.

Precious: ——

Did you ever hear of a member of the fair sex not being able to talk? Sounds almost impossible - don't it? Well, that just the position I am in. I don't know what to write!

I expect that I shall leave early to-night - and I mean to stop off at Loeser's to fix our ~~arrangements~~ engagements with the

and then – "nothing to do until to-morrow!"

If I can get the envelopes, I shall stop down at your house from the office on my way home. So I may possibly see you for a few minutes to-morrow. If I do not come, then you shall know I have been unable to get them and we must have to mail them as they are.

second envelope. If you have not mailed yours – wait until to-morrow will you? I should like to mail them as they should be. How did the folks like them? I had to take them out again to-day to admire them.

From Lewis I shall ride directly down to see my uncle, and to bring him his medication. Shall return home for supper. After supper I must to press those pesky linen suits ——

Have you been wearing your glasses? And how do your eyes feel? And your arm?

With all my love and kisses, I shall close

Your loving

Frances.

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Monday
July 7-17.

My darling precious Joe:——

It is so hot to-day, and yet, I know that you will have to hike to the Park. Sweetheart, believe me I sure do feel badly about it. And to think that after walking, you will have to stand and drill. My heart sure does hurt — because I love you so much.

did you find her still at the house when you got back? And are the still the same sore on Mr. Francks"?

I really wish you could be here instead of in the park. Outdoors it is broiling hot - especially where it is sunny. But somehow, even tho the sun is on our side of the street - it is rather cool - and the little breeze that we get makes it quite delightful. I can't help

Got up real early this morning - too early - so, for about an hour - half conscious - I thought and dreamed of you. Gosh! how I hates to get up. And then, I glanced over at Sadie - she was sleeping serenly, and thought - You just wait until Wednesday - and maybe I won't make up for it! But how about poor You?

thinking of what you must be undergoing in that park.

Mr. Swallow is still in that regeneration - but in a little better humor, for which I thank Goodness and my lucky Stars. I also ask of both of them to spare me long enough to see that thing finished. Then things will begin to resume their natural form - and until then it is much harder for me — But I should worry - only wish I were seeing you to-night.

Your everloving
Frances.


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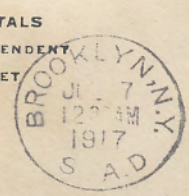
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Of course, I was angry with
you _____ and still am.

Frances.

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June 9 1917

Precious Sweetheart: —

Everytime I just about reach this desk — Zip! somebody pokes their head in this window! Feels like putting up a sign — "dispensary closed - am writing to Joe! That should be enough - don't you think so?

How did you find your father when you got home? Already I hope — and when I see him to-morrow hope he will be able to say "never felt better".

Shortly after you left my aunt, uncle and the children started for home. And soon after that I went to bed. Mother was tired and so was pap. Nellie Sadie and Edna had not returned - So you see I was all alone - and being tired as well - I thought the best thing to do was to go to the Land of dream and dream of? — I wonder of whom?

Mr. Smallow was just as lovely as he could be. After exchanging a few "Why did you's"? things resumed their natural peaceful and domestic aspect — So now I am all cleared up — no more angries". Must leave the other side of the paper blank for appearance sake — and have neither more paper nor room — shall have to close, anxiously awaiting to-morrow

to see you - Love & Kisses.

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How did you find your father when you got home? Alright I hope — and when I see him to-morrow hope he will be able to say "never felt better".

Shortly after you left my aunt, uncle and the children started for home. And soon after that I went to bed. Mother was tired and so was pap. Nellie Sadie and Edna had not returned - so you see I was all alone - and being tired as well - I thought the best thing to do was to go to the Land of dream and dream of? — I wonder of whom?

Mr. Smallow was just as lovely as he could be. After exchanging a few "Why did you's"? things resumed their natural peaceful and domestic aspect — so now I am all cleared up — no more angries". Must leave the other side of the paper blank for disappearance Sadie and being neither more shall have to close, anxiously awaiting to-morrow

To see you - Loving Frances.

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IN ANSWERING REFER TO_____

July 11, 1917.

Precious Joe:—

Have been worrying about you all day. If you had guard duty to-day, then my worry is not without cause. The picture of you lying down on that cot, such as you described it, in rain soaked clothing is continually in my mind. By the time your clothes dry on your body, you are called again to go out for another soaking. At least did they give you one of those rubber capes! It looks as though it will clear in the afternoon and I sure do hope so.

See to it that you get a good rest to-morrow night, and let me know how Rose bor you are feeling. Take care of yourself — otherwise I shall lose your company.

Lovingly
Frances.

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July 18-17.

Darling Joe: —

Was more than pleased to receive your letter yesterday. Spoiled that I am, I looked for a word from you monday.

I am glad that you got trousers to match your coat; for it sure did look awful. And as for the price, I think the Government gave you a bargain.

or Sea Gate, - I do not know which. And Sadie went to an excursion to the Highlands - a trip up the Hudson. and although yesterday was such an ideal day for either - You and I had to play away - as our per luck - mine anyway. Gosh! but it is getting worse & worse to top off all my joys, Mr. Swallow got into one of his, very frequent

I spent the evening at Jane's house yesterday and found Your daddy as well as can be expected. He all that kept, and of his being so sick, picture working the long day that he did. He said however that she was feeling better and I do hope that he will be himself again soon.

Nellie, Barney and Edna were talking yesterday afternoon at either Bright's

now, most amiable and agreeable moods. But I should worry — he'll get over it himself — in fact he is trying to make amends now. He believes he is in his second childhood — that's the only excuse I can find for him.

Should love to see you to-night but not at the expense of your 48 hours. Have been looking forward to this Sunday and do hope it won't be all for nothing. May, then see you to-night?

Lovingly Frances

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July 20 1917

Precious Joe: —

Received your letter yesterday and certainly do feel badly because of your fathers health. And in spite of all his sickness, I bet he went to New York again yesterday! This is just what makes him feel so badly. Am anxious to know how he is feeling and hope that everything is alright. Tell him, Joe, I was asking for him and send my best regards, and do hope that he is feeling better.

Did you ever SEE such heat as to-day? Honestly Joe, I imagine I'll melt to death! This is the first day I have felt the heat so much. And you — did you have to hike to-day? Hope not, sweetheart. Has your woolen socks feel cool?

Your loving
Frances.

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Precious Joe: ——

How do you feel to-day? Better, I hope. And your mother? This weather is enough to make an strong person sick. Such a heavy heat! And poor Joe had to march to N. Y.! Coming down this morning I saw a regiment of N. G. marching on 21st towards the river. Joe dear, I felt so sick & blue — that I could just have screamed. Thought of you and positively I felt heartbroken. If only there could be a little encouragement — a little sign of relief — a sign that the end might be near. I understand Mr. Thornton came. He was called to-day or rather at 11 P.M. on last night by telegram and leaves this morning for parts unknown (France, of course). You should see the expression of the people's faces — you would imagine he had died. He certainly is dearly beloved by all — (even I).

My cold & sore throat travelled upward and

~~Lodged~~ lodged in my head - permanently, it seems. Dear a dolor - my cad "Dulcen had - and of course my nose is even redder than before. How is your cold? Are you sure you took the salts?

Shall expect to hear from you to-morrow.

Lovingly but tearfully yours -

Frances.

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July 30, 1917.

Precious Rose! —

Am so glad that you are having inspection to-day; for that means an easy day for you. It is much too warm for anything to-day.

Evidently last night movies made quite an impression on me. So much, that I dreamt about them. I am even suddenly turned into an incubator. It seems that I had left some eggs there, and when I opened up the door I saw the stages of incubation. So I closed it up and waited a few more days — and there out of four eggs came six chicks! Quite an improvement over the present methods - don't you think!

I shall expect to see you to-morrow night — so precious I shall close — as I am so warm.

Give my love to all and tell Rose to come down on that promised visit

Lovingly
Charles.

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Aug 2 – 1917

my Precious Joe; ——

I don't wonder that by the time you got home Tuesday you had a soft collar. I for one, never have witnessed such distressing heat. Pop, Nellie & Edna, never closed an eye all night. At 6.30 A. M. Edna & Nell were on the beach in C. Island, and did not return until about 7 in the evening. But even there it was unbearably hot. I passed the night in Spasms of sleep How did you sleep last night?

Sadie is coming home this evening. She wrote that it was fierce warm there to — I guess it was warm all over. Probably the worst is coming to an end and so we are gradually being prepared for our new home. Just now my face and neck are dripping — and do I wish you were here! —— not to mop me dry but just to be here. See you Saturday night?

Lovingly
Frances.

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Aug 22 1917

My sweetheart Joe:—

Have just written to my aunt that she will be down Sunday evening. And of course you will be down to the dispensary in the afternoon, I want you. I shall see you to-morrow, however, and so shall know just when you will be down.

How do you feel to-day? No more headaches I hope.

love you, and so many
kiss from
Your loving
Toots.

Expect to see Rob to-night?

Expect that I shall
get there early to-day. Hope
so, at least.

There is nothing new
that I can write —
except — well you
know how much I love
you — and then, it
is useless to repeat things
too often, is it? So shall
close with a million times
more the amount that
I once told you I





Pvt. Max Freedman,
U.S. Marine Corps Reserve,
% Quartermasters Dept.
Brklyn Navy Yard,
N.Y.

Aug 27. 1917

Precious Honeybunch —

Kindly forgive me for the stationery and pencil writing as I am writing from home and found the girls had used up all my cards — and after searching around about an hour for a pen; finally found Herb's fountain pen with a heavy ink in it to cover and smooth over appearances — by, at last addressing the envelope in ink. After another search found the bottle of fountain pen ink —

and, to add insults to injury — <u>empty!</u> I really hate to write as I am — but — thought it a little better than not writing at all — mighty little but some consolation

Came home really early, 4.30, having left the dispensary at 4. — Came home very very happy! — why? Because I am soon to have my vaccine! Yep! Can start to-morrow if I choose to; but I should like to begin on the Tuesday after Labor Day which will give me Sunday + Monday extra. Am

Swallow would try to arrange it for me.

Was happy to hear your headache felt better this morning. It must have been because your stomach and the lets you out of a scolding for not wearing glasses. We hope, honeybunch, that it has entirely left you by now.

Don't know what is the matter with me. I'm sure! Who ever remembers me having nose bleeds! And 2 days. I had two! It made me sore — but I guess it was a good thing for me. — am all right now.

Barney has just come in
— with fountain pen,
filled missing and tells me
he has loads of writing paper &
envelopes. He also says my self
written I should remember it
but decided "Gan probably
accepts my apologies made
in the beginning of the letter
and thought it a shame to
waste them. Don't be angry
or feel hurt - will never do
it again — and am sure
shan't.

Come down early to-morrow,
the dentist hurt you much?

Lovingly
Frances.

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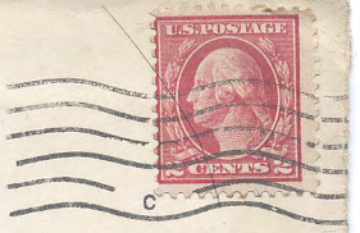
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Precious: ——

Was more than pleased to get your letter this morning - for I started for the dispensary on a funeral march — just as happy. I ask, have I hates to go back! Mr. Swallow and all were so pleased to see me that I began to feel that I must have been to Europe for at least a year.

Honey, it sure does seem as though that time please was a hoo-doo, doesn't it? Yet I don't wonder that you had trouble falling asleep. It's tuck is enough to make the dead. I try putting it under the mattress — that ought to muffle it. But, I sure am sorry that you didn't have a good night rest

Shall close now with all my love to my sweetheart

Lovingly, Frances.

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Sept. 6, 17.

Ma Honey: ——

Do You remember I told You I was going out looking for a new job this morning? Well ——————————!

I shall tell You all about it when I see You.

How do You feel to-day? Hope You haven't forgotten that I am angry at You? Yes!, I am!

Tell Rose I called up Ada to-day - and

for Rose with the greatest of pleasure - and I sure do hope she will.

Did you begin to work at 9 to-day? My poor honey sure has a big and hard day — but don't you care — (Dam that angry at you.)

Poor little Freddie came back to the Hosp again to-day for another small operation on his ear. Poor kid. He promised she tells me that she will be working to-morrow night, but if Rose & I will come down to the Store in the evening. She will go with us to Buckhead when she is there. She will call me up to-morrow again, and tell Rose I will call her to-morrow from the dispensary, so as to find out what she would like to do. Ada said again that she thinks Buckhead will do that

me that as soon as he
is able to, he is coming
down to help me in
the dispensary.

Shall close now.
just a stingy tiny bit
of love, - just barely
enough to last until
I see you - cause -
You know why - don't you?

Lovingly
Frances

Excuse, please, the appearance
& writing as Bellamene
is poor and steel pens are
high

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Sept. 7-18.

Precious Hanky: ——

Seems so strange that I shan't see you to-night. Have accustomed myself to see you every other night and I sure do miss seeing you this evening. Will you miss me? Shall be thinking of you all the time.

Got my check yesterday and went out in the Evening to buy a pair of shoes.

Couldn't be suited so
will wait a few days for
a new stock to come in.
But I did buy something
else that I needed rather
badly. Three guesses!

Hadn't get a letter
this morning but expect
there will be one when
I get home this evening,
from my sweetheart;
But, if there isn't!

Everlovingly,
Frances.

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Sept. 10, 17.

Darling Joe: ——

Rec'd your letter this morning and sure was happy to receive it.

By the time you receive this you will have heard that I was down to the house Sunday Evening, direct from the dispensary and that I am going to meet Ross to-night — N. J. to see the wanderer. I do hope, sweetheart

all week, and you must go. But do come down early Tuesday evening, won't you? I am so lonesome for you. that I half wish I did not plan to go to-night.

When I rode to the house last night, being on the Bergen St. car, I saw so many, Marines, so many, but not the one I was looking for. that you will not feel hurt or badly about it — for you see the tickets are exchangeable only to-morrow night. I felt as though Rose, really and truly, ought to get out a bit — and so took it upon myself. Seriously, you won't feel badly over it, will you!

Your mother explained to me that it would be alright, since you had not been to the dentist

I must draw my letter
to a close now, as Mrs.
Sullivan has been relieving
me most an hour. B &
remember to come down
real, real early Tues.
day night.

Lovingly
Frances.

P.S. I have a little
surprise for you.
Hope — can't tell you
until to-morrow.

Sept. 12-17.

Honeychunk: ——

How do you feel today? much, much, better, I hope: Being that to-day's weather is so mild and lovely and so much warmer, I feel that your cold may pass away. Do not let. sure that you take care of it — cause you know I can't live any-

me & to get Nell a purse. Of course neither knows of the others plans but both think they are wonderfully clever in thinking up such a useful gift. I am going to make Nell go shopping with me and although she must know it, she'll be picking out her own gift. Then she'll be sure she will like it.

today she's got a cold.

I am going shopping this evening - Gosh! I need such a bunch of things that I had to write them all down on a piece of paper.

To-day is Barney's Birthday and to-morrow is Nell's. Strange - but Nell is getting Barney a travelling bag and this morning Barney gave

I do hope when I get home to-night there will be a word from you as I am very anxious to know how you are getting along.

Everlovingly,
Frances

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U. S. Marines Reserves,
Brooklyn Navy Yard
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Oct 8, 1917.

My precious Honey Love:

When I woke this morning the first thought that entered my mind was that I should have to wait all that time to see you, night to see you again and I wondered how it would ever pass. Yet here it is 7 P.M. — almost one day gone — and, precious mine I am so tired that my back simply feels broken

my ground — and told him just where he is a little mistaken. If Ern he got me provoked it was to-day — ~~such~~ so much so that I was on the verge of quitting. Will tell you all about it when I see you

Precious I am exhausted — so I shall close with a little reminder of how much I love you

I am afraid, honey, if, when I get home, I feel like this I will have to go straight to bed. I will call up, however, if I don't feel better.

And all this — not because we had such a terribly awful hard day, but because Mr. Swallow came in with a grouch. And when he tried to tell me what a cinch I had of it, I just stood on

Lovingly
Frances.

Hope I get a letter
when I reach home.

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Oct 11, 17.

My precious Hamfatmuck:—

I am wandering today whether your teeth pain you as much as my arm does. Right above the elbow of my left hand I have a big black and blue mark and on close examination found 1001 teeth imprints. And a la Sherlock Holmes I made my deductions

to go down to see them soon — and now I am more anxious than ever. We will go down there soon — eh!

Everlovingly
Yours

---

and solved the big, mysterious mystery. Indeed, I counted them, and when I got to 999 I was so tired — I let it go at 1001. I sure am sorry the dentist made such a good job of it —

I had a visitor from Iowa come down to see me this afternoon. Ted Rosenow Krenzelyan is working there every other day & promised

F. Lennie

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Monday

My precious Harrynuck:—

Although I know
you are coming down to-
night, I simply felt
as though I must write
and tell you how much
I missed you yesterday
and how happy I am that
I shall see you this
evening. It seems ages
since Saturday night.

I tried to drown my
lonesomeness by living

one.

Your Loving
Toots.

out most of the afternoon
It was such a lovely day.
Rose was down for the
afternoon only - going
home just at suppertime
Mother was certainly angry
and rightly too!

And tell me my
honey, did you miss me
as I did you? Here is
a teeny letter (kiss mine)
I see you to-night - and
then, perhaps, if you
love me enough I may
give you a big big





J. M. Freedman,
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Oct. 17, 17.

Hello Honey ——

Guess what —

Guessing ?

Guessing What ?

I know you have guessed —
Jane's quick —— so there
is no need of telling you now.

How do you like my
new Kapen!

Lovingly
Frances.



J. W. Freedman,
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Oct. 20, 1917.

My precious Sweetheart: —

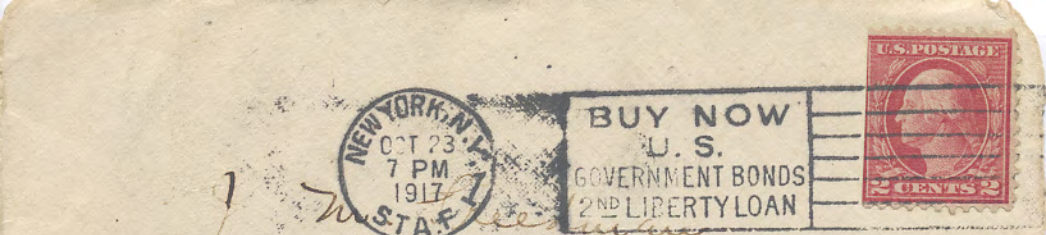
Should dearly love to write You a four page letter again to-day — but I am so pressed for time. You don't mind seriously, do You?

Did You get wet to-day? It sure must have poured when You left this morning — and You should have seen me! — I looked as though I were going to the north pole, &

had my big black coat on —
and in each hand I carried
an umbrella. One I had
borrowed from the Hosp. some
time ago. and now just look
at how much it has cleared!
— It is enough to keep you!

I am so sleepy and tired
that I am becoming angry
with myself. I wish I were
there so I could take a walk.
Don't forget to call me up.

Lovingly
Frances.



J. W. [illegible]

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U.S. Marine Corps Reserve
Brooklyn Navy Yard,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Oct 23-1917.

Precious Honey Love! ——

Do you think I went to bed early last night? Indeed, I didn't! Even though I was so tired that I could hardly keep my eyes open, it was simply too early to go to bed. So I sat, and talked and embroidered — for a short time only, I thought — but when it got to be ten o'clock I was more wide awake than

torrid passion.

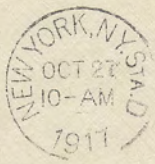
Surely thought we would be closed to-morrow — but — nothing doing — they must even let us be patriotic when we want to.

Am waiting patiently for to-night so that I can see you. Love you?

Your ever lobin

Frances.

Even — waited for Poppy — served him his supper — and then because Ann W. asked Pop about her suit, I felt so badly I rushed upstairs to bed. I couldn't stand it — I felt so sorry for both Pop and Ann. I don't know what settlement they made — but I suppose Pop will have to make her a new suit — which he likes to do — just as much as he





J. M. Freedman,
c/o U. S. Marine Corps Recruiting,
Post Quartermaster Office,
Brooklyn Navy Yard
N. Y.

Oct 26 - 1911.

My Honey: —

Did You Ever See a more wonderful day! Have just returned from luncheon and have I did wish I could stay out for the remainder of the afternoon.

Expect that it will probably be best for me to buy a Liberty Bond — and to-night I am going to Stop at the

-Talk Bank. unless I can afford to bank with ? for week - and at the end of 25 years - I shall be a multi millionaires.

Don't forget to call me up to-night - cause I want to know if you still love me. Han is my sergeant friend

Longingly
Frances.

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J. M. Freedman,
To Post Quartermaster
U.S. Marine Corps
Brooklyn Navy Yard
N.Y.

Precious Hankymuck.

I'm feeling fine this morning - strong, healthy and frisky enough to lick you. Fell asleep almost as soon as I hit the pillow and didn't wake up until 6.30 this morning. How do you feel, honey-bunch - cold in your head any better?

am writing as soon as
I got in this morning

Lovingly
Frances.

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U. S. Marine Corps Reserves,
% Post Quartermasters Office
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Nov. 6 - 1917.

Precious Honey Love: ——.

After you had called up yesterday, I went to the dentist and then to the library. All my tiredness soon left me and Gosh! I hated to go to bed - and this morning I hated to get up! I shall have to take myself in hand — I have my hours all bundled up.

It seems the reports about the increase in

bouncyhunck of a husband
and a whopper of a kiss,
I'll run along.

Lovingly -
Your wife

salaries is true - and
I positively feel punk!
But I am waiting to see
the thing printed in
black and white also
the final list before I
start in to kick — and
if it is true I am going
the limit.

Shall see you to-night,
bouncyhunck, so I'll close
as we are dreadfully busy
at the window. With all
my love to my precious

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J. M. Freedman,
% U. S. Marine Corps Reserve,
Post Quartermasters' Office,
Brklyn Navy Yard
Brklyn. N. Y.

Nov. 7. -17.

Ha Ev Love:

Talk about being lonesome! I felt yesterday that at least a thousand years had passed since I last seen you. I wished so that I could hear from you when I got home, but soon understood that you had to spend the night in the Barracks. Sadie & I went to New York

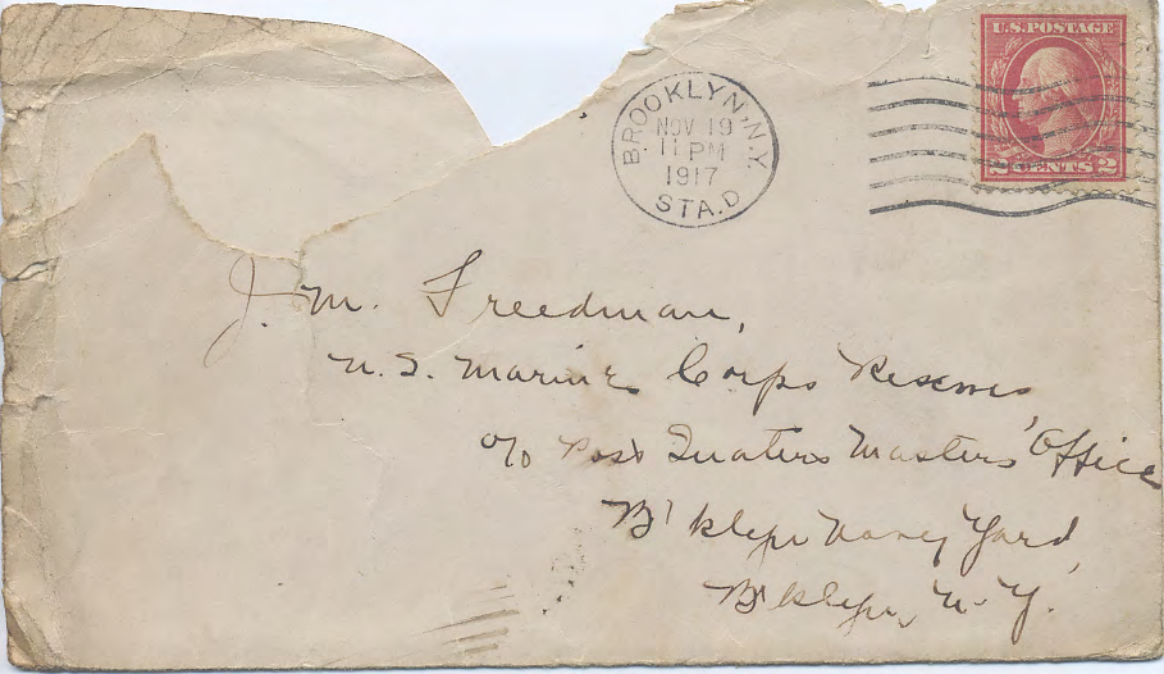
you!! Such a mix up — but it would have ended alright had I slept a little longer.

Am to get my Ex-Ray this afternoon. The abcess is almost entirely gone now as you will see for yourself to-night. And feel fine — why I feel as though I could lick the Kaiser!

Talk about fun. Because of the Surf.

to hear the returns, the girls were to the Bedford — So you can imagine how cheerful I felt when I got home. Although I had a very light day, I was tired — it was too early to go to bed — so I sentimentized a while. Then went to bed to dream of my husband the most peculiar part of it honey, was that I did dream of a husband, but the husband was not

getting the vote! Mr.
Swallow pretends to be
as sore as the deuce. Per-
haps he is, for all I know
but in the meanwhile I am
having a good time. I
am afraid honey we will
have to cut out the Sporting
life ——— Mitchel's de-
feat is going to cost us $2 —
but what is such a mere
trifle to us? It will give
us a chance to get rid of
all that loose superfluous
change — which we find so
troublesome — eh honey?
A million kisses from your wife. Lovingly Frances.


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IN ANSWERING REFER TO _____

Hello Honeybunch!

Just got my X-Ray plate with the diagnosis of abscess. That sounds mighty encouraging, don't it? Shall see what the dentist has to say about it to-night.

Mom came home shortly after you left last night and was surprised to find that you had started for home. We looked around for about an hour and then I went to bed. My head aches a little to-day, which, because it is so rare seems so terribly fierce awful. I guess it will pass directly we are not so busy to-day, thank goodness.

Wish that you were coming up to-night, 'cause I do so love to see you — to-morrow?! Yes?

Lovingly,
Your wifie

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J. M. Freedman,
% Post Quartermasters Office
U. S. marine Corps Reserves,
Brklyn Navy Yard,
Brklyn N. Y.

Nov. 26-17.

Well, Hanley, how do you feel the morning after the night before? Feel as I do? wish it was the night before the morning after. We did a risk thing by leaving before the rest. They didn't reach home until 2 a.m. and they sure were a tired bunch this morning. Needless to say they found me under the hay stack fast asleep". Do you feel this? Not I Hanley — wish

Has the Lieut. received any dispatch orders? Give my love to Rose — ask her about the gift for Sue's baby — and tell her if he has gone to come down during the week.

Lovingly
Yours only only

I have going to another wedding to-night.

Ida has just called me up to remind me of to-morrow night's appointment. I've a notion, honey, that you were coming along too; Wednesday seems so far away. Call me up to-morrow night before 7.30, mes [illegible] precious mine, unless you think of calling up to-night. I want to talk to you, at least.

H. L'Ernst
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Mr. J. M. Freedman,
c/o Post Quartermasters Office,
Marine Corps Reserves,
Brklyn Navy Yard.
Brklyn N.Y.

Dec. 1 – 1917.

Snooky – Hanky – Bunch: –

To all the generous – .

You are the most generous!
I always knew you would give
me <u>everything</u> you have,
but really, honey, you
must not be so good-natured
Especially when it comes
to handing out free –
absolutely at the cost of
nothing – a perfectly good,
though slightly second
handed, ———— ————

placed it on his desk in a ~~X~~ hurry.

Shall see you to-night so shall close with all my love to my husband

from

(Mrs.) Frances Fe. Freedman.

now, guess what! Sure that's right a "dollar"!

Received my check this morning and feel as though I were a multi-millionairess. Fancy having over a 100 dollars in my pocket. Think I shall out and look up my friend "Rocky".

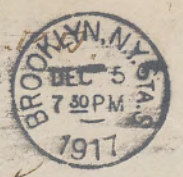
Just was handed a rose - a beautiful pink one. Told Mr. Swallow I'll give him the privilege of smelling it until I get home.

F.L.

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J. M. Freedman,
U. S. Marine Corps Reserve,
% Post Quartermaster's Office,
Brooklyn Navy Yard,
Brooklyn N.Y.

Dec. 5-17

Honeybee:—

This is in answer to your letter which I received yesterday — but what to write — I am sure I don't know.

Mr. Swallow came in to-day. I went over to Osborne Hall for a few moments this morning, and when I came back and found Mr. Swallow at the desk. I was so astonished and surprised I almost

sorry for him because he is decent - but funny - Joe! really you could help laughing at him. Talk about Drink sort!

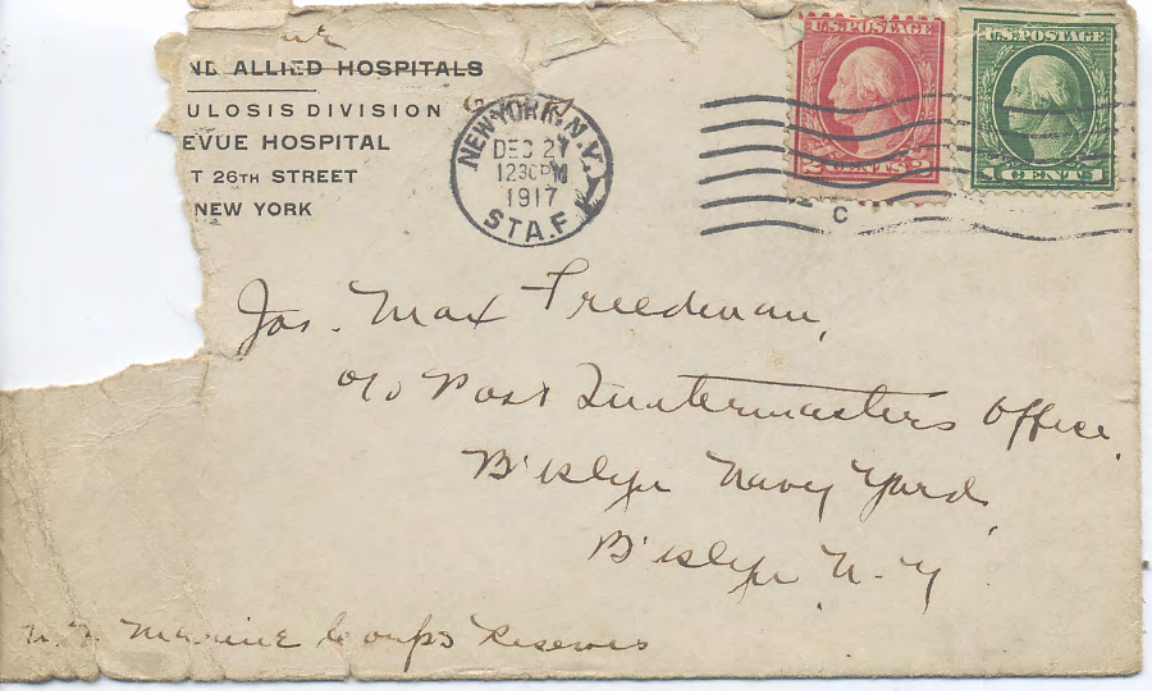
my tooth still feels awkard and immense but I am gradually getting used to it. Could hardly chew my food at lunch time so I swallowed most everything whole. that tooth in my mouth actually feels longer than my whole head.

kissed him !!!!!!! He was dreadfully sick and out of sympathy his sympathetic wife is now laid up with heart trouble - quite ill too. Mrs. Swallow says.

One of the helpers in the disp. went to see the race in mind. Sq. Hardie last night and evidently indulged a little too much. This morning he was so happy and funny that he was a good as a vaudeville show. I felt

went to bed shortly after
you left last night
what time did you get to
bed. How is your cold?
Call up tonight as I
am anxious to know how
Henry is. Expect Rose to
night, too.

Lovingly
Frances.



Dec 26-17.

Precious Hubby:—

How is your cold? Shall be anxious now until I see you again. Do take care and write to me Exactly how you feel. Also let me know how the measles are progressing at the barracks and whether it will disturb your liberty. Hope not — cause Friday is years away. goodness knows.

What on earth is the matter with me, I

Is it any wonder I have so much cause to worry with all those experts?

If you care too, if it is not too much trouble if you still love me, if you have the time — why — oh, I forgot me it — if you have no other friend in view, why — then, you can, maybe, perhaps, call me up Thursday night — early — about 7 P.M. — ?

hardly know — tired! — goodness, — if we weren't busy enough to keep me awake, I do believe I'd fall asleep standing up. will probably go to bed early to-night. must wait for Pop to see if he has my suit cut and ready for a fit. (am worried to death for fear it will not turn out as I expect and then, if it does turn out as I expect, whether I will like it as much as I expect

No more so shall
close

Your loves same wife
Frances.

F. L. Evans

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U.S. Marine Corps Recruits,
% Post Quartermasters Office,
Brooklyn Navy Yard,
Brooklyn N.Y.

Jan 2, 1918.

'ello 'rey!

'Ows your 'ead?

Really I should've been in -
giving, not, after how
mean you were to me Yes-
terday. You sure were some
mean, weren't you? and I
think the new year -
Made absolutely no effect
upon You — well, well!

To-day we had a -
luncheon you would have
enjoyed - and Dinner and
that You were there

tration — and another week to wait. There is only one thing to console me and that is that there can't possibly be many more people or hands left for it to get up before. Can only hope and wait some more.

Tell Rose I am making all possible inquiries about that position and if I find she cares to have it, she can have it. If she cares to, she can call me up to-morrow night.

It got black before my eyes when I saw fried ham in bread crumbs, and to add insult to injury it was served with macaroni smothered in milk, butter and some rather strong smelling as well as strong tasting cheese. Now, aren't you sorry you weren't here to share it with me?

Fair Love. O'Hallorn

This morning but with no promising results. It is now up to the two Commons

or come down with you,
or, if not, I can tell her
all about it on Friday night.

I really do think it has
become a little warmer,
altho this morning I
fairly froze to death.
How did my ex-husband
fare? Was relieved to find
the dispensary a little heated.
Mr. Swallow came in
to-day. He was quite sick.
Was glad to see him. Shall
see you to-morrow night and
hope you are going to be
ever so much nicer than you were

Yesterday. Your former wife!

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Jos. M. Freedman,
U. S. Marine Corps Reserve
Brooklyn Navy Yard.
Brooklyn N. Y.
Quartermasters Office.

jan 9, '17.

Well my naughty, naughty Husband, how did you get down to the barracks this morning? I was so worried about everybody that I just called up home and did wish that I could reach you by wire. This certainly is a nasty day for anyone that has to travel and I do hope that you will be careful.

Mr. Swallow is going to spend the night in the

the pipes. Can you beat that! The water is now running up stairs and the plumb is working all right. The water in the Kitchen however rather runs in an out. So Pop is taking another try at it this morning.

Did you get wet last night? I ran upstairs directly you left and looked out to see if it was raining. Seemed to me as though it had stopped. Had it? I carried my umbrella this morning

hosp. as he thinks it will be worse to-morrow. I was dumbfounded to find him here when I slid in this morning at 10 min. to 10!

It seems that B'klyn suffers most (as usual) because once I got on the N.Y. side I had very little trouble with either the trains or the walking — but while in B'klyn!!!

When I called up this morning Mom told me that Pop was still tinkering with

and believe me I was some proud of it. It is a beauty, Jo, and I sort of hated to get it wet, but it dries up as good as though it had never been used. You will have to get the monogram put on for me, soon, for it will be lots so much prettier then.

Am going to wash my hair and what not to-night as I certainly need a general cleaning up. Must be off & locked in case you don't recognize at once to-morrow night Lovingly Frances

Am in a fever & hurry when I write letters. Excuse haste

F. Krouk
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J. M. Freedman,
Q. Mast Quartermaster
U. S. marine corps Reserve
Brooklyn navy yard
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan 10 '18.

My Honeychuck: ——

As You Know I recd a letter from a loving but worried husband this morning, so I thought the very best thing to do was to answer immediately and tell this worried, loving husband that everything is alright and that I am quite myself again. Now, this is feeling better and that is some load off my

I was quite sorry that I didn't give you the check for your mother last night. After you had gone it bothered me greatly. If mother needed any money I could have drawn it out of the Savings Bank and in the meanwhile your mother could have made use of it. I am sure I don't know why I acted so thoughtlessly, but will positively [illegible] the check with me to-morrow night. Hope I didn't inconvenience your mother

mind. I have only a little cold in my head but other wise feel fine. Will rest my head to-night, and I'll feel as good as ever.

But tell me, do you feel alright? I certainly am sorry to have caused you all that worry and loss of sleep. Really, next time you mustn't do it. Did you get to bed early last night? Never mind, you just make up for it to-night.

When I read about your contributing 6d per week towards my capture I couldn't help smiling. Never mind you honey bunch here's hand I saved 10d for you this morning because I rode via Chambers St this morning and didn't have to pay any fare. No you will never guess why! Because I had my ~~black~~ black brains. per from yesterday.

Will see you to-morrow night and until then here is a big kiss and squeeze.

Lovingly
Your little wife.

Leonie.
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J. M. Freedman,
% Post Quartermaster's Office,
Bklyn Navy Yard,
Bklyn N. Y.
U. S. Marine Corps Reserves,

Jan 15, 17.

Hello Honeybunch: ——

How did you ever get down to the barracks this morning? Did you ever see such frightful weather! I got down at 9.30 - not because of the weather but because I overslept.

After you left, I felt so sorry for Nell that I did 3 of the exercises for her so that when I got to bed

to give him the no. now.

I have been thinking of you all morning, and feel so sorry that you are on duty to night. I just long to see you, and, until to-morrow night, seems so long long — so far away. What we had been talking about last night comes into my mind so often and when I think of how tender and considerate you are it was about 12.30. I awoke early and thought I would just doze off for a few moments — and if I didn't fall fast asleep. It was 8 when Nell woke me and then I did some hustling. Filed out without breakfast. When I came in Mrs. Swallow told me, had to remember my telephone no. — he would have called me up & told me to stay home. Believe me, I am going

I just can't help loving you and just long for you. That is exactly how I want you to act always — and that is just how you wish to act, all the time, isn't it, honeybuch? I am sure we will be always happy.

I hope Sweetheart you can read this, as I am writing in a fierce hurry and can't make the pen move fast enough. Until to-morrow night here's a big kiss from Your loving wife

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J. W. Freedman,
o/s Post Quartermasters' Office,
U.S. Marine Corps Reserve,
Navy Yard
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan 21, 17.

Sweetheart Husband of mine:—

Were you cold the morning going down to the Barracks? It must have been 100 below Zero when you left, for when I got up I thought I'd freeze to the Stairs before I'd reach the Kitchen. To make matters worse, no one got up besides myself, and for a while it felt like a Sunday that I was on duty.

morning how my suit felt. And I told him what a hit it made. Perhaps he didn't feel proud. And perhaps I didn't feel proud yesterday! And You?????

Mrs. Emanuel came in at lunch time to find out whether I was going to take the chemistry course. I was half tempted to tell her "No, - er - well, you know, my husband

We had the most delightful lunch to-day. Did You enjoy Yours? I sure did hope you had one, if not as nice to look at, one that tasted as good. We had stuffed, roasted chicken with some lovely stuffing, mashed potatoes, delecious grape fruits, coffee and butter bread. Did You have anything so nice as that?

Pop asked me this

doesn't really care about me going" — Just to see the effect upon him. But seeing of a considerate sympathetic nature (as I thought I would spare him the shock — and I did.

This surely is a regular blue Monday. One of the nurses here was discharged because she went out to a dinner party Saturday night. She is the one I told you was invited to dinner by one of the soldier's mothers. This it seems leaked out. I suppose she was to grad. in a week! We all feel pretty punk about it. Count back three nights. Loving wife.

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J. M. Freedman,
c/o Post Quartermaster's Office,
U.S. Marine Corps Reserve,
Brooklyn Navy Yard,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan 27, 18.

Well Smoky? ——

I wonder what you have been doing this morning? As for me — true to my profession — I was out in the cold snowy freezing weather — early this morning to start my day in doing good for humanity — not to save lives — to relieve pain. Can't you see that my profession is that of Samar-

Gosh! I sure did hate to start out this morning. And the trains! They were mobbed. People making a holiday of to-morrow took advantage of to-day - but the B.R.T. is making a holiday of both to-day and to-morrow and running only a few cars on the trains. Starting out late as usual - even though I got up earlier. Then it was! And you - true to your profession, all pat, I suppose, until about 12 it got late, and then not having a victim, sit down to enjoy yourself; or, to fortify your self for an attack on some prospective unfortunate helpless victim. Now, I'll bet it is you — which of the two is robber — your profession or mine?

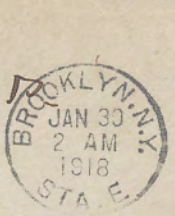
even expected to. And
of course marched in at
9.30. I + S don't, some days
get a good calling down.
It must be because of my
luck.

Don't know what to do
with myself, so after I
have finished your letter
I'll write to Barney and
then if I have time
I'll drop a line to mother
in Austen. Oh dear! It's
nice to be so popular!

Have only a few more
hours to wait until I see
you.

Lovingly
Wifey.

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J. M. Freedman,
c/o Post Quartermasters' Office,
U.S. Marine Corps Reserve,
Brooklyn Navy Yard,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan 29-18.

"Ello, my "Ouey" ——

Why didn't I tell you that I had written you a letter? — well — for no other reason than that I thought I would shock you with an unexpectedly. That's one reason and the other, which is far more important, is because I "jes" love you.

When I read about your finding out what the

& put up with. Had to stand all the way, shoved and pushed all about, until I almost decided to turn back. And I went to Fulton St. today, too!

I shall see you to-night so shan't write anymore. Thoughts, since I won't see you to-morrow, you might like to receive a letter

letters in Morris' letter meant. I couldn't help laughing right out.

As for the weather — in all that storm yesterday I came down on time and back no trouble at all. But this morning — good heavens, it took me over an hour and a half, came in late as usual besides all the trouble and inconveniences I had

your friend Hart
had better be careful
what he says now to
his lady friend — we
won't stand for any
nonsense — not since
we are soon going to
vote.

It is now 3 and in
only 3 more hours I shall
see you.

Lovingly
Your Wifie Frances

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o/o U.S. Marine Corps Res.
Post Quatermasters Office
Brooklyn Navy Yard
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Feb. 2. -17.

Darling Bunch ——

Am greatly pleased for time, for as you know Mrs. Swallow goes home on Saturdays and I do not have to tell you about the rest.

However I must tell you how terribly mean you were this morning for you didn't even give me time to open up my eyes. I heard you call and as

P. S. X.

Shall close with all my love to the dearest husband in the world.

Your loving wife
Frances.

Frances I could get my eyes open and my senses together I answered. I heard you walk away and called but evidently you didn't hear me. Rose wanted to get up and call you but I held her fast in bed.

Dear, I wish it were time to go home. There are about 9000000000000 people here and as yet no doctors have arrived. Time 4 P. M. so I expect I shall see you soon.

Room 4 Pharmacist.
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J. M. Freedman
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U.S. Marine Corps Reserve
Brooklyn Navy Yard
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Feb. 14-1917.

Precious Honey:—

When I went to bed last night, I had a little time to think — nearly almost smoked the cap for Sadie. I surely was sorry that I allowed myself to become so absorbed in it at your expense. I do hope you didn't feel hurt — you realize that I had to hurry up, that there isn't much time left.

It looks encouraging for his being put into another class. Gosh! wasn't it the best thing that ever happened?

About 10.30 I crept up to bathe and was so tired that no sooner did I hit the pillow I fell asleep. But I thought of you all the while. Honestly I did.

Am enclosing you a clipping from this morning's papers about

When Dy came home last night the mystery cleared as far as the improperly filled questionaire was concerned. What do you think? They have been married since Dec 8. (by a Justice of Peace). and they wanted to know why he didn't claim exemption on that ground. On the blank it states "name those that are wholly dependent upon you" which of course he couldn't make apply to Sadye.

some going ons in "God's country". Really Joe, I think it an outrage against humanity for a thing of this kind to be allowed at this date, and these people are supposed to be civilized. Each man that was active in this outrage ought to be cured by a dose of his own medicine. Never mind when I get there I'll just tell them what I think of them.

Ever lovingly
Your wife

I'm going to Wanamaker's the 1st to buy a pair of [illegible]

TODAY

A Man Burned Alive. Not in Prussia— Here in America. And a Lady Applauds.

By Arthur Brisbane

Excuse the omission of any reference to "Prussian brutality" from this column for just one day.

We Americans in the proud and civilized State of Tennessee have just burned a negro to death. Details of this interesting performance should take our minds off Prussian cruelty for a while.

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The negro was not accused of "the usual crime," an attack on woman supposed to explain any brutality. He had shot two men and wounded a third.

When they got him they tied him to a tree and burned him for awhile with hot irons to make him confess something—which is going some distance back in the history of justice.

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Then they piled wood around him and burned him up.

And, note this refining touch of civilization, a lady made a speech requesting the burning of the negro and other ladies seconded the motion.

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"Each man has in himself a hog asleep," said Zola.

Many, it seems, have within them a hyena asleep—and it does not take much to wake the animal.

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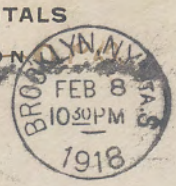
Professor Shaler, recently teacher of geology at Harvard University, wrote a book on the mob worth reading.

He said that under proper conditions a gathering of five hundred perfectly respectable clergymen could be transformed into a howling, lynching mob.

The statement shocks you less when you read that in Tennessee men of ordinary character and morality spent ten minutes applying red-hot irons to the body of a writhing, helpless negro to make him confess something—he and they did not know what.

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My Honey Love —

Rec'd your letter this morning. No need for you to worry about my cold now — because it's all gone — "no more". Evidently staying at home did me wonders. My phlegm is all softened and even if I wanted to cough - I couldn't. I'm a good doctor — all cured now.

your unawares. Dz wants to speak to you and when you call up Sat night I'll tell you all about it. I can hardly describe to you how thankful I was yesterday that you were so safely settled

How do you feel, Smoky? I'll bet you have a cold — haven't you? If you have

Dz came home shortly after you left with the information that he will be called from 10 to 14 days. No need to tell you how we all felt. As for Sadie — well — honestly, my heart just ached for her. Sam has no matter how sure you are of a certain thing happening when the critical time comes it hits you just as hard as though it took

no more Kisses — and
no more do I love you.
no more — never!

I do wish that I
could see You before Sun-
day night. Good Heaven!
but that's a long time!
Hope you don't forget to
call me up to night.

Must close now
all my love and Kisses
to my precious Husband
From
Wifey





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My poor Smokey Honeybunch

I have just called up Rose to make arrangements for Wednesday night. She told me that you were sleping. I do hope that you will be feeling better to-morrow my poor little Joey. I wanted to run up to see you as soon as I had eaten Supper for I was greatly worried

announcements for him and what do you suppose I did? I put three cents stamps on one so that would have been carried for 2¢. Did you ever hear of anything so stupid?

I do wish that you weren't on watch to-morrow night. With you not feeling well I don't know how I can wait until Wednesday until I hear how you are feeling. Am calling about you but I realized you wouldn't be able to go to bed Early and that would never do. I was hoping that you might be up when I called.

Mama was so sorry that you weren't feeling well. She wanted me to call you up and tell you to, at least, come down for supper.

I just did a brilliant thing. I asked me to mail the an-

up Rose D- tomorrow afternoon and shall find out from her.

Have heard nothing as yet from the Bride and the Groom. No doubt they have forgotten that there ever existed in their lives at present family. Can you beat that!

I had close with all my love to my honeymuch husband whom I love best in the world and whom I hope will soon feel well. Your Wife

F. Levine Pharmacist
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March 19-18.

Precious Sweetheart.

Am afraid that I won't have the opportunity to write again to-day, so although I am not able to tell you anything of much importance about the ring & thoughts I had better write now, while to writing is good. Called up Sadie yesterday afternoon and she had nothing then; but had seen the diamond setter that sold by the stone. He promised to get one for us. I am to call Sadie up again this afternoon and if she can get a stone, we will go down to her house Wednesday night and have the ring.

Ray let me have the money last night but I forgot to leave my ring home to have it passed. I was so tired last night that I slept at Ray's. But it will be Wednesday before I will be able to get the money on the rings (Nell's and mine), and for that reason I will have to make arrangements with Sadie to take the ring at her house — that is providing of course that Sadie got the stones.

What do you think of this weather, huney? Maybe you don't like it. Gosh, I sure do hate to stay indoors to-day.

How do you feel? and how is everyone at home? It seems so long since I have seen you — do you still love me?

Yesterday was such a terrible

day here at the department that I was going to quit. I never saw anything like it. We became frightfully busy — put up 770 Rx. and to make matters worse we have been without a helper for 4 days. It is useless for you to try to imagine what this means — no one can possibly realize it unless you have to do it. Things are looking a bit brighter to-day or I mean I would just resign.

We laid this letter aside and since have called up Sadie. She tells me that she has a dandy, perfect stone 1 carat and 1V- 1/100 beautifully cut for 316 also two

with flaws at $295 weighing about
1 18/100 carat. Sadie strongly advises
me to take the perfect one which
she is taking from the place as it
has more value. She says it is longer
and prettier than Sadie's. I suppose
we will take it but I can't think
how I am going to raise the extra
20 or so. Shall speak to mom to
night and call Sadie up to-morrow.
Wish you were home — if there is
anything you want tell me call
me up at the dispensary anytime
except between 12 to 12.30. 'phone no.
Madison Sq. 8800 Extension 49.

Lovingly,
Frances.

This stone
is costing at the
rate of $275 a carat which Sadie says is a bargain



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Brooklyn N.Y.

May 29 - 18.

Hello, Hankey: ——

Received your letter yesterday — and really oughtn't to write to you — at all. I waited and waited patiently, and worried for you to call up again Monday night. About 7.45 I tried to reach you by phone, but as you know, the phone is disconnected in Richman's. Mom told me about Lolly and naturally I was anxious to hear from you — and you, in the meanwhile slumbered peacefully on. I called Rose up early Tuesday morning, to inquire how everyone was, and, since, she made no mention of Lolly, I said nothing about it.

All I can say about Lolly is, that I honestly can't understand why he should have done such a thing, knowing how much misery he must cause everyone — especially your mother. I certainly never expected him to act so.

Mr. Swallow starts on his vacation tomorrow, and it is pretty certain that I follow him. I will tell you all about it when I see you. Have spoken to mom about the wedding and told mom to see your mother early next week, or, if your mother feels better, possibly Saturday so that we know how things stand and can make the necessary arrangements. As it is, the time is very short - with all our thinking it would never come. It will be scarcely more than 3 weeks if things turn out as I plan.

I don't know what to do about tomorrow. I shall try to get off, ~~however~~, in afternoon and if I do not see you, will go with mom to get the material for my suit and coat, call me up at the Hosp. drug store.

Remember that I am very, very angry with you, but to close the letter decently I shall send my love to my husband.

Lovingly your wife

F. Leone M.D.

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Dear Honey Love: ——

Am sitting out on the piazza on my lunch hour. Gosh! but it sure did get hot, didn't it? Were you caught in the rain this morning? It's both sunny + hot here, but my head aches frightfully perhaps the air might help me.

Was afraid you'd forgotten about the money since you left in such a hurry. But mom told me you were there. How was the breakfast at the barracks? Am sure you weren't late. How do you feel? Pop made breakfast for me this morning.

Rec'd a letter from Dolly asking why I don't write. He writes very little besides this - this letter is very short. Asks how you are feeling and how everything is at home. Seems as though he

has written home so probably they know my row about his money.

Before coming down here, I stopped in the office to see if there was any mail for me. Am looking for the admission card to the bank as I am quite anxious to go swimming to-morrow. If however I do not get the card, I am about decided to take my suit along and go down to the beach. I wish I knew of someone who could go with me. So I wouldn't be so lonesome, but I am not going to let that bother me any more. I'll simply go alone and enjoy myself as much as I can. Perhaps I'll meet someone there.

However, if not I'll keep myself amused with a book. If the weather is not too warm and if I am feeling well enough, I'll train to-night and Wednesday. If Rose is able to, I'll go down to see Lena.

Have just come back from luncheon. It was punk! Hardied up enjoy yours? Head still aches and I feel miserable. Blue and melancholy and just feel as though I could cry for nothing at all. Head tired and dragey. Am positive what I need is a little change, so expect I'll feel alright in a day or two

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Expect I'll hear from you either to-night or to-morrow. Try to come down to the hosp. if you can. Let me know how you are feeling and be sure to take care of yourself.

Lovingly
Frances.

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Tuesday 6 Nov. 1918.

Precious Honey Rose: ———

Your voice sounded worried when I called you up. Is there any trouble over your getting off yesterday? Have been worried since I called you up and certainly do hope nothing is wrong. Perhaps to-morrow you'll be able to talk a little more freely. I take it that there was some one there to-day.

Have just written to Rose telling her that I will not be able to run down to the house before Friday. Asked her to come down Thursday night to our house.

It is terrible cold here to-day, and I am fairly shaking my insides out. Am going

to wash when I get home to-night. Put the clothes in the tub before I left this morning.

Will call you up to-morrow. am quite busy now, So shall close with all my love to my lonely but sweet husband,

Lovingly
Frances.

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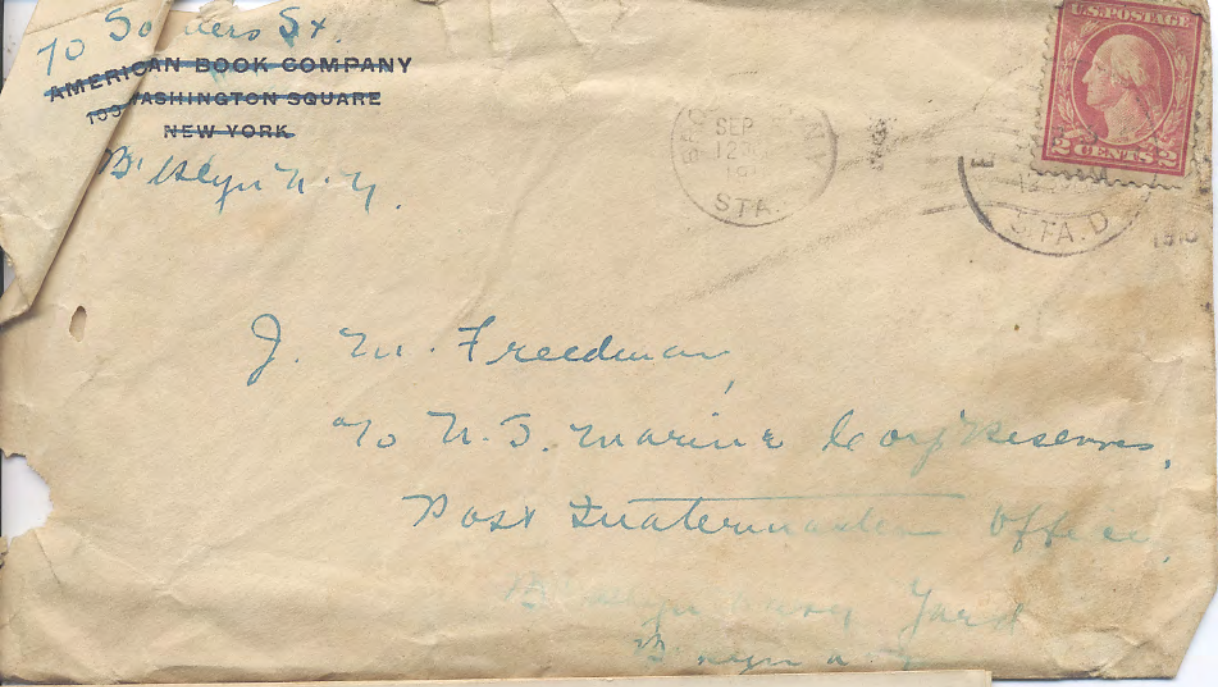
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Oct 3, 1917

Precious Husband O' mine:

Am sending you the letter I told you about. Have nothing new to write except I love you, — so much! Don't ya know whether that is new or not. Wish you were coming home to-night. Expect I'll run to-night. Barney & Nell are going to Rays to-night and wanted me to go along but would rather go with my husband on Sunday. You will surely be home to-morrow night, won't you. Will meet you at your mother's house.

Lovingly
Frances.


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Dearest Hubby: —

I sure do wish you were home to-night. I came home late and tired — tried to rest but had to give it up as a bad job. What ever is the trouble with me I don't know but I sure do feel all broken up and worn out. Whether it is the work or the worry I don't know, but I feel a thousand times worse than before my vacation and goodness knows I felt pretty badly then. Perhaps I feel better to-morrow.

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What I tried to tell you over the phone was, that I answered an add for Mount Sinai Hosp. When I told them I had Hosp. Experience the Head Pharmacist was certainly eager for me to come down. The job was mine if I wanted it. The Salary as I told you was $40 per month meals + laundry. I don't think there was any room attached to the job - as he made no mention of it. The hours were from 8.30 till 4 - except 2 nights a week when I relieve the Hosp. Pharmacist

until 7 P.M. These 2 nights I have supper there. Every 3rd Sunday I am entirely off, the next on all day from 8.30 until 5 I think, and the 3rd. Sunday on for a few hours in the morning. The traveling is so much I would have to be up at least 1½ hour earlier in the morning and home much later, and if I feel as I do now — a little extra exertion would kill me. He was very anxious that I consider it and call him

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up which I promised to do. Tried to get him at 5 but his wife was busy.

Leaving my lunch hour I went over to see the Mr. Seelig I told you about and spoke to Mr. Kenny the head of the General Clerical Dept. He told me I could resign and request Civil Service to put me on the preferred list which would hold good for a year. However, the fact is I am no further than I was in the very beginning

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Am feeling tired and will tell you all the details of all this I have written when I see you tomorrow. In the meanwhile here's a big kiss and a hug and lots of love from your

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Wifie

Am sending your good night kiss and hope you have pleasant dreams. Good night Honey.

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Precious Hubby: ——

Are you surprised to receive this dear? I reckon that you would partially run over to see your Uncle on Saturday and perhaps — perhaps — you might like to find a letter from me, waiting for you.

How are you honey? How was your trip? I thought of you all last night. I wondered if you were sleeping comfortably. You were so tired I guess you didn't need much coaxing. How do you feel? And how does Memphis look to you. Did you see anything you thought suitable for an office? Let me know dear

I have been up to see Dr O'Hanlon again I put before him, that when I was engaged it

was for the hours of 9 to 6; while the other pharmacists were employed for the night work, receiving in compensation more money and a half day more a week. Now, if I am to do the extra duty, besides doing more work, I am receiving 12.10 per month, ~~less~~ and a half day each week less. He said he would see Mr. Stone about it; Mr. Swallow will come in on the night and Sunday work, too, I am afraid. So much for his big pull. During the conversation, I said that all I asked was to be treated fairly, and that if I have to obey the rules, why shouldn't everyone else? He assured me that I would be treated fairly, to which I replied it didn't look so very much like it last night. So he said, "Oh, I guess it was a blue day for you", meaning your leaving. A week from Monday, I guess, I'll ask for my room and begin to stay there. I'll be able to take a run home occasionally.

So don't worry about me, but take care of yourself and see what you can do, and send

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on me soon.

They all asked me home & send their love. Ron for got to send Jake Englander's best wishes with you, so I am sending them now. Before started for home we stopped in to have some hot coffee, as we certainly all felt in the "dumps" and Sally said, "Joe will get along alright, and before you know it, he'll be after something down there and the whole family will go with me." I was happy to hear it and only hope he means it - I sure hope he will do the right thing.

I hope you can read this, dear, as I am writing at the rate of a mile a minute,

my orders of writing and spelling. Do take care of yourself, honey, and write me a big letter about everything. Have you seen Mr. Logan yet? Mr. dear, soon, if you haven't already. What sort of a room have you? did you get your trunks alright? was the glass broken?

Will close now, precious with all my love. don't forget your promise to take care of yourself and to eat well.

Lovingly
Your lonesome wife

P.S. Have not heard from Harding yet about the tag. Probably nice during the week. Have you attended to your insurance, dear? Don't neglect it, honey.

Lovingly
Frances.

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Dear Hutty: —

This seems quite like old times again, don't it? And you receive the letter I wrote yesterday?

I sure do miss you, Precious. I can't realize that you won't be home when I get home in the Evening. I will soon become a little more used to the separation, though, I guess, so don't worry about it. Just now, it is a little hard.

Rose and I went down to the Johnstaqua's for the pictures. He didn't make a proof, but simply went ahead and developed them — and therefore they weren't ready. I will take a run up to-day for them. He said they were alright, but of course

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thats what they all say.

It is just 1. 45. And I am wondering what you are doing, what sort of a room you got, and how you found things there in general. Write me everything, honey. I would give anything to be able to see you now. Take care of yourself, precious.

You certainly picked out the best time to go South. The weather became very cold last night and to-day it is something terrible — cold and fierce windy. How is it down there?

Rose is sleeping with me, dear. We were both very tired. So that we went to bed directly after we returned from the photographers.

To-night, Friday night, I shall miss you

something terrible. I shall naturally picture how you are spending the night.

If you want any papers or magazines from New York, let me know. Or if there is anything you want, dear, don't neglect to write me about it.

I shall close with love from all, and with love, kisses and best wishes to the dearest husband in the world

From
Your Everloving
Wife!

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Precious Hubby of mine: ——

How do you feel this morning, I wonder, after spending the night in dear old Tennessee? How did you find things? Of course, you can imagine how I felt last night. Tried to sit in your place, & was thinking and wondering what you were doing, what you had and where you were eating supper. I was wondering what you had done and where you had been. Did you arrive on time, or was the train as usual — late.

This morning the post brought me the letter you wrote on the train, mailed at Roanoke Va. I was very happy to get it. The night letter did not come in this mornings mail, but I asked Mom to call me up when it does come. It is now 11.30 and I have not heard anything from home. Have hopes of hearing when I come back

ram lunch.

My Mom called me up this morning, as I have not been to the house since Tuesday night and Mom thought I was ill. She wanted to come down ~~to see me~~ last night to see me. Pop felt rather badly, Mom says, because you didn't wait, and when I asked why didn't they wait for the call Mom said he did wait until 9 and then decided that you had forgotten about him. I trust dear, that if you haven't already written, to please drop a letter to Pop.

I am sending you one of the pictures. I think they are wonderful, what do you think! I am going to have a larger one made for myself. You should hear the admiration expressed ~~here~~ over them at home. Mom thinks just as I do about it. Lena gave me that picture of yours that I wanted so much, and in return I gave her one of the post cards. One for your mother, one for mine one for Ray one I am mailing you and the other I am keeping for the large picture and then Rose can have the card. Take care of it dear, and put it in a frame.

I will close now dear, as it is most time for lunch. I will send love from all at home. I hope I hear about the right letter this afternoon. Take care of yourself, honey, and write me a big long letter.

Have you enough money?

With all my love and best wishes

Your letter looks..

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137 South Main St.,
Memphis, Tenn.

Sunday, Jan 12, 1919
at the Hospital.

Precious Hanky: ——

Waited all day yesterday for your night letter which never came. Didn't you write, honey, as you promised? I was so worried that something was wrong that I hardly slept all night and now I don't know what I shall wait until to-morrow's mail comes. What was the trouble, honey, you know you promised to send me that night letter, and the fact that you are usually so prompt worries me all the more.

I suppose in to-morrow's letter you will have answered some of the million questions I have asked you. I am very anxious to hear the news

Rose, Dadie Englander & I took a little walk last night. It was terribly cold. and when I came home, my feet were frozen. Rose positively

refused to let me warm them on her back. —
So you see dear, how I suffer with neglect while
you are not here. Nobody loves me, honey, no one!!

called up Sue & Rat this morning.
They were dumbfounded to hear that you were
South and asked why you didn't stop up to see
them before you left. I explained that you left
in a short time. Rose & I are going to see
them Saturday night, as I will not be working
next Sunday. I expect to mail you a week (to-
morrow is Monday) I will begin to stay
down the Hospital, so address the mail there
dear. Don't forget to put down Out patient Dept.

All last night, I looked at the clock. It
made no difference whether we were out walking
or home. Besides being worried, I must think
I say to myself I wonder where Joe is now and what he is
doing. I do miss you terribly dear, but
hope to see you soon. will I!

I wrote to Ada the day before yesterday and told her about your leaving for South. Expect I'll hear from her soon. Pg + Sadie have gone to the farm. Everything is just about the same as when you left.

How did you like the picture Lucky? I do wish that, at least, I was receiving mail from you regularly. I expect, Lucil, beginning with Monday, I write everyday, postcards and you can rest assured I will too.

Mom was greatly worried over not receiving the night letter. I hope hope, love, that everything is all right. If I knew where to find you I would have sent you a night letter yesterday, but was afraid to chance it at your uncle's Store.

I must close now, with all my love, and love from all at home.

Everlovingly
Frances.





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% Morris Frankenstein
137 South Main St.
Memphis Tenn.

Jan 13, 1919.

H.P. in at the Hosp.

Precious Husband: ——

Just received your letter dated Jan 10. and am so happy that I am not going to scold you about the worry you caused me over the night letter which, evidently, you never sent. Talk about being worried! well, honey, I can say I have never been so worried in all my life. I was worried when I saw no mail on Saturday, but when the mail man had nothing this morning, well, honey I was just about crazy.

no sooner did I land in the hospital when I inquired for mail and my heart sank at the reply of No! Mom was worried this morning and I asked her to call me up and read over the phone any word which might come from you. If that telephone didn't give me heart failure to-day, then I am sure I shall never suffer from that disease. Finally I went over to the office again, not expecting anything of course, and when I did get the letter I was so happy I felt like crying. I have left a message with Richmond, to tell mom that everything was alright, so in case she didn't receive her letter she wouldn't be worried. One of the Southern lines, or the Grand Central, route was in a smash up according to this morning's paper, and this news certainly did not make me feel cheerful. Luckily I received this letter when I did, as I was going to send a night letter to your uncle, and then if that brought no satisfaction I should have packed my grip & take a trip. Rose just called me up to find out if I received any news from you. She sure was happy when I told her the contents of your letter.

means seeing you!

So you have a case already! Good! Honey. I only hope and pray to God that it is your first stepping stone to success and that the goal is not far off. Rest assured, dear, I will do all in my power to make you famous and as you for confidence in you —— why, well, - I am just positive, - that's all. Love, the tears are just falling as quickly as I write, so I'll change the subject. I only hope, precious our separation will be a short one, and then I am positive it will be a case of "Being Happy ever after".

I am happy to know that you found things to your liking when you reached Memphis. As much as you dislike staying with your uncle, I think you ought to accept his hospitality for more reasons than one. Besides the money, it is much better to stay with some one. Especially (kin), it is not nice to be shut up in all room all alone. You say he is a changed man —— so much the better —— and I am sure he will do for you what he can. I am really happy to know that you found things as you did. As for your uncle being unkind to see me —— Lord! no more than I —— because that

as for the proposition, Sanchez, Mr. Lazar's offer appeals to me more. Of course Honey, I am not jealous of the lady, but I do want you to start out on your own book. You know best, dear, and I leave and trust in your judgement. This office, you speak of, is the one you were aiming for all the time? If you do decide on Mr. Lazar's offer, why, dear, I will do all I can for you as far as finance is concerned. For the other hand, her established practice will bring you more in the public's eye. You see which you think best.

I am feeling splendid, darling. You must see to it that you do not become lonesome. The letter that I have received from you just now has made me happier than I have been in all the time you that you are gone. I too, dear feel dreadfully lonesome for you and long and cry for you awfully, but I am going to try and bear it down. I am sure love, that it

want be for long; and that is the only thing that keeps me up.

My dear, dear, is better. So don't worry. How are you feeling, precious? Do take care of yourself. Did you see Dr. Razor professionally? If you haven't remember that I want you to. When I go to bed to remember you? Love, how foolish. I remember you every minute of the day, and at night I miss and long for you. Even in my sleep I miss you. Every night I send you a kiss, and ask for pleasant dreams for you and that God should take take of you and bring us to gether again. I must close now precious, as I am feeling "sighing and crying" again. I am afraid this letter will make you feel

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Do that it they
9. to write his
Love, how I miss you again, dear, dear, dear, precious you.





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c/o M. Frankenstein

137 South Main St.,

Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 14, 1919. Tuesday.
2.30 P. m.

Dear Heart: ——

I so far have not received any mail from you today. Shall drop you a few lines now, and if your letter should come later on, I'll answer it with N. mexico's letter. Evidently there is some delay in the mails.

How are things going, dear? In bed did you decide to do? I sure am anxious to know.

How are you feeling, honey? Take care of yourself, precious. Everyone, including those at home are

I think I wrote about it in one of my previous letters. Your former Sweet Heart, Rose Goodspeed, may be there. She is going to ask her to come.

Didn't know why much to-day dear, except that I love you, so I guess I'll close with all my love and thoughts for you. Love you with all my heart. "That's me all over," Joe.

Expect a big - big - big! fat letter this afternoon or to morrow

feeling first rate. Mom was happy to hear from you. Did you write to my Pop? Please do, if you haven't as I was down to the house and Pop was quite anxious about you.

Last night I went to see that show, Redemption with Sadie. I met her with Rose at the Hotel Knickerbocker. Oh yes, there is some class to her. Didn't enjoy it very much, don't know why.

If all is well, Rose & I are going to see Sue Saturday night,

Hope Tammie has appointed.

Everlovingly
Your Wife





Joseph M. Freedman, Atty.

To Morris Frankenstein

137 South Main St.,

Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 18th Wednesday.

My darling Husband: ——

Received your wonderful letter this morning. You are the most wonderful of all the husbands in the world dear, and try as I can, it is utterly impossible for me to tell you how much I love you. But, honey, dear, you know how much, don't you? I am sure that it won't be long before we will be together again and believe me — no more separating; I have had enough

already, and here it is only one short week that
you have gone. Hereafter, please God, things will
be different, and no matter where the place is
we will go together. I realize that it is im-
possible now, so lonely too, I am trying to
make the best of it. I only hope it won't be
long before I join you again.

Things do look very bright for you, and
I am constantly praying that it will continue
so. It is very kind of everyone else to try &
help you, because that is what you need now.
Besides money, it means something much
more than money, and that is, encouragement.
Of all things, precious, don't become discouraged
Things are bound to come our way now — &
I feel that everything is just going to be
much, much better than either you or I
ever dreamed possible. Don't get worked up
and nervous, dear; just take things cool &
calmly, — look around and consider carefully
which and what is best. It is only natural
that you should feel a bit ~~worked~~ excited up now,
but, dear, don't allow it to become a habit.
Remember this, dear, and do it for my sake.
Always remember that I want you to take care

going to help all I can and love forever.

Do you know, precious that your telegram only came at 12.30 yesterday (Tuesday) morning. Can you beat that! There is certainly some delay somewhere. As to your receiving mail from me, I expected my first letter would reach you Saturday. Mum received a letter the morning which I read, of course before I left. I then Kuder I would receive one at the hospital and was on pins and needles until I got it. I expect that next week, I'll begin to stay down here.

Mum is feeling well, honey, so don't worry. Everyone is feeling fine and comfortable and now that things are brightening up a bit for

of your health. Want you lonely?

I am certainly happy that you got your money from A. L. Hart about your desk and typewriter? I do hope you get Lowell Taylor's proposition. It sounds like dandy. As for the "female of the species" holding no attraction for you, — there's just my sentiments. You will do much better, I am sure. That you will do your best and do what I wish you, too", honey; I always Know and that is why I love you so much. I trust in you, as I always did, with all my heart. I realize how happy I should be in having you, — you are simply a dear wonderful husband whom I am

you, we are real happy. Don't become worried or nervous because there is absolutely no cause for it. They are going to write you a letter to-day.

How is Mr. Lazar? Did you have him examine you yet? Did you see his wife? By now you must have visited the Golds. How did you find them? Besides the Societies; besides business, it will mean a little recreation. I am happy your uncle is giving you a toast. He partially realizes now, just as you say, what he has done. Did you see your aunt yet? Has she or her meals changed any? How about her desk? Did you get any of it? Give my regards to your uncle. Because he is helping you I am beginning to like him. With that Brantsky bunch away, he is beginning to become himself. What did they do, get away with his money? Are they in business independently or are they living on the income of your uncle's money. Don't bother that.

I do wish Sonny, I could see you. How do you look, where and what are you eating? Don't forget your "B squares" a day.

My foot is alright. How are your

Headaches. You must be having some dandies, hey? Have your glasses fitted yet?

Have been up to see Dr. Oldaker twice to-day, but he was busy both times. Will try to see him again to-night as I want to have the thing settled. Expect I will have to do night duty.

As I write your letters in the afternoon, thinking they might get the night train, I do not write your kiss and wish for a pleasant dreams. But I do not forget the honey.

Will close with all my love and kiss Everlovingly

Frances.

The writing is awful, I know. But am writing between dis-





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Memphis, Tenn.

Thursday Jan 16-19

dear Lou: ——

Late yesterday afternoon I was pleasantly surprised to receive a second letter from you, so you see, if Monday was a red letter day for you, yesterday was mine; However, to-day I have to pay the piper — No mail at all.

I'm happy that the letters made you feel better. I certainly will write every day until you yell - Stop! I expected that my letter of the 9th would reach you Saturday and was so worried for fear you may not have stopped in the store until Monday and they, not

knowing that you can't [illegible] would destroy the letter.

It is mighty nice of your uncle to offer to make my clothes, and tell him I thank him immensely. But honey, you know I can't come down as I am. I simply must have some clothes. And that's what worries me, and I'll tell you just why. Beginning with Monday, I am going to occupy the room. That means that I'll not be able to go home very often, as they are sure to see whether I am using the room or not. I must have a machine to sew, and, as you know, there is very little possibility of having one here. While I will have a lot of time to my self, I must be able to put it to advantage. I will try occasionally to run up to Ray's but there is the idea of coming back to sleep in the Hosp. and I don't relish the thought of coming from 23rd St Station to the hospital alone. (night) Now you'll rather angry with me for bothering about the room at all. Now I said I ought to come home every night, eat supper there or not, just as I pleased. That would only amount to my car-fare you see. But I cannot make up my mind to do it - why should I put room to all the bother and extra expense when I can get all this without any trouble to anyone or expense to my self? I intended to see the folks (mine) yesterday and they made me stay over night. You know how hard the living is - and how cold the room is. It while it is very nice of mom, still I don't see why I should do it. The only solution I can find is to do what I can, and then when I have decided to give up my job to zero. The only objection is, dear - that I know I will want to rush right down to you

and burnt them. We had some fun. Some of them I let Nell read. I thought — Some least of some I must have had to have remained cool and unruffled to such tender love missives In every letter he asked me when am I going to make a trip South. Pretty soon, now, but believe me, not to Atlanta, but to ——— where? — honey? I put into a box all my letters to you. And your letters to me, I arranged according to dates. By that time it was most 12 — too late to start to reread them but I am going to take them down to my room in the Hospital and never them once am I going to read them over!

You have a "Scrap" for me? Very well, then "Rest Iso"! Now you see, dear, you have to tell me your scrap first and then I let you have yours. In the next letter, please, may I expect them?

As to your picture, honey, I sure want the clipping when you have your write up. I, too, think the picture wonderful. I have already framed it and have it on the as soon as I can. I will see what I can do.

Pop received your letter yesterday. He sure was happy to hear from you. I told mom and Pop what wonderful prospects you have and they sure were happy. Mom says she hopes that and is sure that Jack will soon be with you. I hope so, dear.

Last night when I went to bed, in the rocking chair I nursed you! Sometimes I imagined I felt your arms embracing me, and when I would cuddle up into them, I found that it was only my thoughts and I was all alone. And yet I could feel your arms creeping about me so distinctly. Oh, honey dear, I do hope you will soon have me in your arms and hug me and hug me I do miss you, dear.

Do you know how I spent the Evening? I reached up in the closet to get the keys of the Buffet, intending to do some sewing when I saw that big bundle of letters from Jack waiting. Well down they went, I reread them tore them up,

dresser. Either I lost one, or else someone "swiped" it. The one I intended giving Ray I lost.

How did you make out on L. Taylor's proposition? I do hope honey you landed it. I have been wondering what you have been doing. Mr. Lagace is certainly treating you nicely. In fact, they all are. Well, honey, you deserve it. Have you had anymore cases? The "3". I'll bet looked like "10 to you. Just as to your uncle — well — she is surely acting like a prima. I can picture the surprise of the Dean to see you. Did you pay him the money you owed him? That just shows you what Ray is. — remember how he told you he was just "moping" up? How about Herman Goldberger? You haven't mentioned him at all. Is he married, dead, or in the army!

I am greatly worried over the news in to-day's paper. Peace does not look quite so permanent now, does it, dear? I wish, if you only can, that you could get into communication with Leiber again, and see if you can't get a complete discharge. As it is, you know dear, they can call on you at any time. If you should have to, Heaven forbid! — go again, that will be the last straw — I could never stand it. So do what you can while the doing is good, won't you, honey!

How is my honey boy feeling? Still nervous? I dare not ask lonesome. I have been wondering about cigarettes. Are you

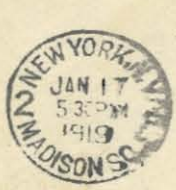
smoking then, Jack! Remember to answer that question. Don't smoke too much, do you hear?

Ros called me up this morning to tell me I received 7 letters yesterday. The first arrived, as I told you yesterday before I left. She also wanted to know if I were coming home tonight. She said they missed me — particularly she as we have been coming home together in the morning.

Shall close now, precious, with all my love, hugs and kisses.

Yours only
Frances.

Bertha & Lena have asked me to send their love to you. What do you know about that! The vampires! Forgot it yesterday.





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% Morris Fram/Kenstein

134 South Main St.,

Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 17, 1919
Friday

My Precious: ——

Rec'd your letter late last night. It was 6 P. M. & so had given up hopes of receiving any, as I had received 2 the day before. The gentleman having charge of the mail called me up to tell me there was a letter for me. He knows, of course, why I am so anxious to know when there's a letter. I told him I would be right over" and he said he was quite sure I would be. When he handed me your letter he said, with a naughty smile in his eye — "You see, I was once young myself."

I am so sorry dear that you are so lonesome — and I don't know what I can do. Don't worry honey, I am soon coming down. In the meanwhile join the different Societies, and see if you can't find some diversion there. I would mean business for you

too, dear. You wrote me you were going to join. Have you done so yet, precious? Hooray all round. It will make it nicer for me, too, when I come down. But honey, don't allow yourself to feel lonesome. Mingle with people. Think of me constantly though, because you are never, never, out of my mind. I, too, would give the world to see you. It won't be long, I know.

Your aunt is right. I did see her when I went to visit Rose in Coney Island. I remember her only slightly, remembering her as rather short and stout. I saw her only for a short time; I believe she had come home from the Hospital. Extend my regards to her.

Is your head aching again? See to it that your glasses are fitted precious. It is your eyes, I am sure. Did the Salve relieve you any? You did the wisest thing by immediately taking a cascara tablet. Change in atmosphere does make you feel you feel pretty sick. But that lonesomeness — honey — what am I going to do about it?

Your mother received yesterday her check. It amounted to $30. We broke our heads over it as it was for 2 months. Finally we decided that the shortage was due to the fact that you were discharged on the 23rd and that you were reduced to private pay. This morning's mail brought a check for $18 and some change and on it it said final payment in allotment. How we can't make it out, but you know how much mom is going to worry over it — She is going to cash them. Honey, what did you do with that check I received for $120. Did you send it back to Gertie? I never heard a word more about it. I just called up my mother to find out if I had a check. There is one there for me for $38. I am going to cash it although I don't understand it. I intend giving this money to Ray which will leave a balance of $37. Honey, tell me in your next letter if you need any money. If you do I can send you that money or else some from my

Love from all at home including Bertha. Ruth is alright. He got those tooth and ear trouble reading for [illegible]. He is still a hard going down there. Will write more about him to.

check which I sent

A strange thing happened yesterday. Mum
was out and 2 ladies came inquiring for Jim. Lena &
Bertha being home answered. They asked if you
were actually discharged & if they were sure of it.
and if the allotments still came. They asked for
Mrs. Freedman, of course. L. & B. said you were
discharged but they knew nothing of the allot-
ments. They had a look with them. What do
you suppose it can be? It has set us all a
puzzeling. I said perhaps it was Fanny
Fishkind looking for you. Will tell you if
they turn up again. We are all sorry Mum
wasn't home at the time.

Don't be discouraged — Something is
sure to turn up that appeals to you. If not
why you can always go out on your own hook.
And believe me, you are capable of holding your
own. I hope in the next letter to hear some
news about it. It is just a matter of making
a start and then, honey, you will see how
smoothly things will go — and how soon
I will be with you. Take care of yourself dream,
and don't become lonesome.

The weather here is very mild now, how is it
South? Must be very warm. Take good care of
yourself — dear!

I left all the boys and Rivers in Pa. Jim Langsam is the only
one left. I'll close.

The world is full of dear kids
Embodied by your wife



Joseph M. Freedman,

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Jan 18, 1919.
Saturday.

Dear Heart: — —

Your letter must have come late yesterday afternoon, and, it being Friday, I left early. Therefore, I received no word from you the entire day, but had ~~the~~ a letter early this morning. I certainly do not understand how long it takes mail to travel, and as to the telegram — it beats me how that travelled! We only received it on Wednesday at 12 a.m. However, I receive a letter from you most every day.

I hope I receive a second letter to-day, for I am anxious to know how you made out with Lowell Taylor. I hope you get that divorce case — 25 bucks! — Gosh! that looks like a mint to me, now. You sure are doing wonderful, honey,

under the circumstances. First everything was settled concerning your office. You, too, would then feel much easier and contented.

It would be a nice plan to enter into the Masonic Lodge. If you are enable to move, do so as soon as you can. I don't think it cost so very much to receive the first degrees does it? If you wish, I will send you some money. What sort of a lodge did you become a member of? And the one you intend entering me to? But you are right, honey, ~~I guess~~ Establishing your office comes first.

What sort of a time did you have at Mr. Lazaar's house? You make no mention about Mr & Mrs Stolle have you seen them? & is Mrs. Stolle nice?

As yet have not heard from Harding about sending in your clothes. Here is still plenty of time, but honey I should like to have them off. Will you write to him again — or what shall I do about it?

As for Cally he is quite enthused over the idea of going South. He informed me that he may even go down before I. I told him not to fool himself along. So he reconciled himself to going down with me. He must be made to understand that he has to hold on to what he has, not to throw out the dirty water before he has the clean. You know how impulsive he is, and when I told him you spoke to a man concerning a job for him he thought all he had to do was to go when ever he was ready. I told him to wait until he hears from you before he thinks of changing. He has cooled down since don't worry over it and don't let him know I have written to you about it. Just let him know occasionally that you are trying to land him something down there and in the meanwhile he should keep his eyes open here and do the best he can while here. He certainly is a good kid, & is doing alright. He would like to connect with railroad down there.

I hope that you are not so lonesome, now, honey, & will not be for long. I am sure that you will have a fine time to go down & join them. I think by the time you get there you will be ready to go back again. Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming soon enough. Take good care of yourself. I am glad dear. Fancy dear. I can't dream of a finer Christmas present as that I certainly do wish that



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Sunday
9.30 P m.

Precious Hubby: ——

Am at my mom's house, having served all day. I am extremely tired, so will have to make this a little shorter than usual. I have made two uniforms — now that I am going to stay at the hospital, I need a few more. My back and head ache dreadfully. Am now preparing to go back to your mom's house to pack up a few things in a valise to take along to-morrow morning.

How are you dear Kent? What have you been doing to-day precious? I sure do miss you. I was getting ready to come down to your mothers of getting ready to stay in the hospital.

I went to Sue's house yesterday with Rose. Will write you a big letter to-morrow and tell you all about it.

You will forgive me, honey, if I close now, as I have hard to do, and am now as tired as can be. Forgive also the pencil writing as the Supply girl was very short at Nonnie house. Expect Rose will write to-day or to-day also.

Received only one letter from you in the last 2 days. Suppose I will get 2 to-morrow. Didn't receive any on Friday, & only one on Saturday.

Shall close now precious, with all my love and kisses to you

Yours lovingly, tired

How did your visit with your parents turn out, did you get to see Kent's folks? What are your plans concerning Christmas?





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137 South Main St.,

Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 20, 1919.
Monday.

Darling Joe: ——

Received two letters this morning which accounts for the one I should have received Saturday. I certainly was happy to get them, honey, and I guess by now the mail has sort of regulated itself. To-morrow I am going to write you a real old-fashioned big letter. You remember the kind, don't you, honey? All your letters have been wonderful, precious, and you have no idea how proud and happy I am to call you lucky. I have been thinking over the shortness of my letter to you yesterday. I do hope you won't feel badly over it. I am still tired, there-

result of yesterday and ache all over. I will go to bed early to-night. Expect I will stop down at the hospital. I will write you more about it to-morrow.

In your Thursday's letter you wrote you are appearing before the Grand Jury. How did you make out, honey. I sure do wish I was down there with you. How I would like to hear my hubby try and his cases! Lord, I sure do hope too soon. Proud! Lord! that would hardly be the word. In Tuesday's letter you tell me of these big lawyers. Frio, dear, I would love to have you consult with them. If, however, you don't, why then start out for yourself. I feel positive, however, that they will do for you just what they promised — all they can. Things sure do look bright — don't they, precious? It will be long before my honey Jim will say "Mr & Mrs. So & So — meet my wife" and I will be snug and happy leaning on your arm — loving and smiling, as happy as happy as can be. I ask every night that the time will soon come, and I am sure, dear, it will.

It will be Wednesday, at the very least, before I hear of how you made out with the lawyers. What was the trouble that the man in your case, that you spoke about, who was put in jail? One thing I am sure of, if my hubby had him put there, he more than deserved it. Did you start the proceedings on the divorce case for the negress?

What sort of a case was it that you mention in Friday's letter as a "10 case"? Taking it all thro all things are certainly coming around wonderfully, and don't you become uneasy & upset because you are not situated. See how wonderful you are people even come into the back of a tailoring shop to find you. It will all turn out splendidly, precious, and this week will I hope see you settled in your plans concerning your office. And then, - as I continually pray that God will answer my prayers to take care of you and bring you success and happiness.

I will close now, my love, with all my love & kiss: Take good care of yourself and don't fail to see the Lazdas.

Everloving &
Your Wifey.

P.S. You have no [illegible] heard from Mama and the folks now. Hope everything is OK

Mrs. Freedman

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Meet the dearest husband in all the world, J. M. Freedman!

How do you like him?

Jan 20, 1919.
Monday.

Precious Hubby of mine: ——

Dear Lead, I just received your wonderful letter of Friday. Honey, it is simply the most wonderful letter I have ever read. Already I have read it three times, and expect to memorize it by heart when I see you again. Don't ever be misled by the idea that you aren't much of a letter writer - I never read such a letter before! As to me, love dear, it is because you love me so much that whatever I do or say is just right. No matter how eloquently you think I write - the theme of my letters is always simple —— I love you — that is what I want to convey to you. With such a theme and with you as my hubby —— how could I but write long letters to you? I should certainly have to be stupid to do otherwise. Most certainly I shall send you big ones just as often as I can. Here is one for you now.

In yesterday's letter, I reproached you for having sent me a short letter. Dear it was all a mistake, I thought I had written you that big letter Monday and after posting my letter, it only came to my mind. Forgive it, dear. Two days' letter surely more than made up for any short letter you may ever have sent. Your letter of the 23rd was not so short, but not as long as I wanted in answer to my big letter. Don't think anymore about it.

And honey, don't worry over me staying down at the hospital. I am quite comfortable and things are quite peaceful. Once every week I go home, either to mama Kay's or your mother's and then, the Sunday that I am off, I leave on Saturday night and don't see the place again until Monday morning. I'll tell you how I arrange it. On Tuesday I get off at four. Last Tuesday, I went to Kay's - Tomorrow I am going to

my mother. On Friday I always go to your mother's house for supper when I come back the following morning (I spend the night wherever I go, except on Fridays - as it is very near) I just muss up the bed and make it appear as though I slept there. One of the girls here "puts me wise". So for it has worked beautifully and no one is the wiser - and it keeps the peace. There is no sense of causing an argument when it can be done otherwise. The meals are splendid of late. The room is nice large and airy, everything clean and taken care of. When I am there, I just sit & embroider or sew, and dream & think of you. The evening soon passes and I have accomplished something. About 10.30 or 10.45 I retire, and the bed is so cosey that I find little trouble in falling asleep. The girls are lovely to me. Everyone doing all they can for me. So you see dear, I am not such a prisoner as you might imagine and you really have nothing to worry over. I can economize greatly as far as money is concerned and you know what I want to do with it. I do, too, want to get a little $. gather so as to be able to get some clothing. Everything will come alright, honey, it is only a matter of time; and April or even May previous is not so awfully terribly far away — even though, to us, it appears an age. Looking forward to time is certainly not very encouraging. Time certainly has a peculiar knack of passing slowly when waiting for it to roll around. Let us remember, honey, before we were married, how you would say "Oh, the time would never, never come." And now look back honey — does it seem to you as though 7 months could have passed so quickly? And yet until April will crawl around ——.

I am happy to know that you struck such a bargain with the typewriter. I was really worried to know what you would do. *To sounded almost absurd. I have looked in the various stores along 23rd St. and 5th Ave but could not see any with prices on them. too, I did not know one model from another. I looked at Remington, L. C. Smiths but did not know whether they were new models or not. I am glad that is settled. Did you get the other chairs and carpet yet? From your letter things sound encouraging. I do hope they are. Your letter, precious, certainly has made me very, very happy.

Rose called me up to-day, again. She told me about your instructions to allow me to do with her as I please, as you are a "Jewish fellah from the South". She is a good kid & I certainly hope she meets someone worthy of her. As I told you Rob. was down Friday night and his actions showed quite plainly as to his sentiments to Rose. When going to bed, I spoke to Rose casually about him - remarking that he was a nice fellow etc. but Rose would have none of him. One of her reasons being that she couldn't share him off among his friends. I was rather surprised at this from Rose and asked her how she ever considered Benty. Then certainly wasn't very much about him that would stand much criticism. Rob is very anxious to follow your example - he wants to MEET some nice girl and then, in perhaps a year or so, settle down.

Glad to it that you keep on caring about yourself. I am all right so far as health is concerned. My foot is much much better, but I am still wearing the support. I guess by Spring I shall be able to leave it off. You, dear, keep on trying to be brave and courageous and if that lonesome feeling

Shall I keep cropping up just down it with the thought that April is about 8 weeks away and with the first of April a loving wife will either be there or still at least, be getting ready to start soon. And precious love – when I do get there all your desires to love, hug, kiss and care for me will be realized – and – so long will mine. I must certainly shall wear the bridal set that you think so pretty – what wouldn't I give to be able to or can it now for you! I have not touched any of my pretties; when I sewed them it was with tender thoughts – of happiness with you – without you dear, I could never dream of wearing them. They are all being saved for you, precious. Nothing, love, would make me happier than have your dream come true. Not only shall he bear the name of your dear Pop, but I shall try to bring him up to be a credit to that name. I should like him to be just like his dad, honey – just like you. You are, dear, most wonderful.

I spent last night at Kay's. Helen is a dear. Pretty is hardly the word for her. Those little dimples that crop into her cheeks when she smiles make want to kiss her to pieces. When Kay & I mentioned a word of your opening an office, they asked me to send you their best wishes for success. They sure were happy to hear it.

Before I go much further love, I must give you the dope I owe you. Sue & Nat both liked you from the very beginning. Nat says he immediately saw the difference between you & Hinney & the difference being you back brains and Hinney – well you know Nat even told Hinney to save up his money so that when you need an office help he could go down to help you. Expect Nat, Sue & the Baby up to your mothers house Sunday. As to the Baby's name. Sue remarked to me when you & I were up last time that that was the one objection she had to the baby's name. I think she told me he was named after a Victoria and that was the only name available with V as an initial.

As to Ben Levi honey, you can't surprise me, after what I already know of him. There must be some truth in the reports if all the people tell you the same thing. For that reason, dear I should like you to have as little as possible to do with him. He never was such a dear friend to you that it will cause hard for you to sever relations with him. Don't answer his letters anymore precious. You wouldn't care to have him as a friend, anymore, would you? So don't bother with him, honey. From your own experience you know what he is — a regular ~~bitch~~ "bull thrower" - full of blarney. Let him entirely out — Since your reputation, which has always been irreproachable, is at stake. He is hardly worth it any time.

The right work, honey, was never put into effect and, as far as I can see, never will be. Even if they do, dear I am not worried, as they will have to give me more money. Everything is quiet concerning it so I guess it's all off.

There is hardly any ink left in my pen, honey, so, I shall have to close. There is very little else that I could write, except that I am going to my mother's house to-morrow night. Give my regards to Mr & Mrs Lazarus, your aunt and uncle, and Mr Solomon. Have you visited the Hold's yet? Don't forget that I am awaiting the Lazarus's report.

With all my love, tender thoughts, hugs & kisses to the dearest Hubby in the world, I close,

As Ever,

Your loving but longing Wifie



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Jan 21, 1919.
Tuesday.

My precious Husband: —

Well dear, here I am back in a little room in the hospital, sleeves rolled up, and ready to start that big, big, long letter to the dearest hubby in the world. I had some time getting the room back, but here I am, — So whats the difference. It is not the same room that I had — but I got the best of the bargain this time. I have 3 electric lights, running waters (hot + cold) in a wash basin, a clock on the wall, — all improvements over the other. The room is just as large and as high — the only objection is, that it is right off of Georgie's (Mr. O'Hanlon's) Office. I would have no objections if I did not see him from one week to the other, but as it is, I suppose I shall lose the pleasure of seeing him quite often. When I got the Key for the room, the house-keeper + I had some hot words — all because I did not turn in the other Key when I turned my room taken. I reminded her that Mr. O'Hanlon told me I was to have the same room back again, so I thought it needless to hand in the Key. A doctor was just charged from the room I have now, "and like a gentleman he immediately turned me over his Key." She informed me. I quickly replied ~~and told her~~ "I was sorry she didn't think me a lady" and reminded her of Mr. O'Hanlon's promise, with which we soon lead to another. Finally she said - "I must say" Sarcastically "that you were very considerate." I calmly told her, I failed to see where any consideration was

shown me," Slammed the door and walked out with my head away up in the air. Talk about nerve! Now I will have to ask her for a key for the ward-robe and where I am to bathe. I will have another pleasant conversation I suppose — but you know how much it worries me — I hope I have not much longer to stay here — but believe me, I am going to get all I can — or rather all that I am entitled to, before I go. There is some fuss being made over my laundry, now. I am just going to show it there — and fight it, if I must afterwards.

Well, love, I got three letters yesterday. Gosh! but I felt like a sport! I was sorry I called for the 3rd. (the last mail) because I know I won't have any to-day + perhaps to-morrow. But the third (Saturday) you were to meet the lawyers at four. Honey, I am dying to know how you made out. Like you, I feel that you will connect with them. I hope + pray so, dear. But don't become discouraged if you don't — there is always the office to open up as you expected in case all other plans do not suit you. The principle thing is not to become discouraged — and honey, I don't really see why you should — things certainly are a million times better than we ever expected them to be and very shortly you will be settled and then very soon after that I will be taking a trip down South. To MEET - whom? You tell me to be brave and courageous. I am honey — I have nothing to worry about myself. I have a dandy room, all conveniences, assured of my meals and a salary coming every four weeks. It is only for you, dear, that I might have these words — you need them. —

for you have none of these things. I have the folk to go and see occasionally & this is a great deal. But what have you precious? well, honey, I must stop, (weeps again). Simply take care of yourself - and do not discourage. Be brave and courageous - keep a stiff upper lip. Remember, I long for you, cry for you and love you only you.

I have been thinking about your room dear, and wondering if you have the linen taken care of. Have you towels precious? I am sorry you did not take them with you. If you wish I can send them to you. In one of your letters you said it was impossible to eat at your aunts house - that you would sooner starve (it broke) than eat there. Dear, I do not want you to eat if you don't like the food - but as to the second part of the sentence remember this. If ever, God forbid, such a thing should happen - that you run short of money - and you do not let me know - immediately, I shall never, never forgive it. You promised me to take care of your self, to eat properly & regularly - keep this promise. Why do you always caution me to take care of myself? Any part you say belongs to you and you take good care of your things. Don't you belong to me and would you take less care of my things than you do of your own? If you want me to love you dear, take care - very good care of my choicest treasure - take care of yourself. I will try to learn to cook as much as I can and I do hope it won't be long before I am cooking for you - and taking care of you. You see you are my big baby after all. Continue to sleep with the

windows open and get as much fresh air and recreation as you can.

As I wrote you I spent all day Sunday sewing. Sadie Dog & Nell went to see my aunt in the Bronx who was quite anxious that I go too, but I knew it would be 2 weeks more before I could do what I have planned for Sunday — and that was the sewing of those uniforms. Their going — Edna Herbert & George not being home left Mom, Pop & myself & I alone at home. I was happy in one way because you know how impossible it is to do anything with that mob home. Therefore, conversation was largely about you. I told them how wonderfully you were getting along and what wonderful prospects you have. I can assure you they are more than delighted and interested in you. Pop received your letter on Wednesday and if it wasn't that Edna is now having her exams you would have had a letter in reply by now. As it is you will soon hear from Pop. when you do, don't fail to answer.

Barney is having trouble in opening his office. He can not raise enough money. He was to have had a loan from a man who was taken ill with the "flu." As it is, he has patients, and an office, with his name on the door, but no instruments to work with. His rent keeps going on just the same, so you see the terrible fix he is in. I asked Mom how about it — he was going to do so much for him. Take the bye-bye — he is now drawing $40 per week. Mom says, "Well, this week he bought Sadie a coat" (which he did) "and then too, he has some

debts to pay off." I quoted what you said about Even if Dy could & would - Sadie would always be there. Mom laughed and said "you about guessed it," she thought. I told Mom you most always hit the nail on the head. I expect that they will go into house-keeping by Sept - directly after Sadie's vacation is over.

Before I forget I must tell you the queer incident. Barney wrote & told Dell that Ben Lamar was up to see him to inquire after you. Some how or other he knows Pauline Winters and so looked up Barney. Dy says he's it to Pauline to know almost every soldier in Atlanta. Have you heard from his Lordship recently?

Here came to Mom a letter from London ~~Yesterday~~ morning. However, it was not in answer to your last one. They will probably write to you about it, as I will not see them until Friday. I am going to stay down here to-night (Tuesday) I am going to run up to see Ray but will return to sleep here.

Rose & I had a delightful time at Sue's house Sat. night. I wish you could see Sue! She is prettier now and younger looking than when she got married. She became much slimmer. And the baby! Honey, he is a dear! Certainly very clever. Sue gave me a picture of little Vincent, and when I come down I'll bring it with me. He walks, and is beginning to talk quite some. Positively, I did not know him. Rob & Sue were asking about you and they

promised if ever they could so arrange it, they are going to pay us a visit. That is, of course, when we have our little home. Won't that be wonderful, honey? Naturally, in fact wherever I go, you are always the topic of my conversation. And Rob said — I have a swap for you — last go. You owe me some, by the way — Master Husband — and I want them in my next letter. I have a lot for you. I had also the pleasure of Mr. Hurley & Miss Rose (your old Sweetheart) Goondeplat's society. Quite an hour, I assure you. I sure did rub it into Mr. Hurley, as per usual. He thought himself particularly funny by calling me dear, and when he heard you were down South, he said "now, I can surely call you dear". He didn't get away with anything, I can assure you, honey. He now has an office in Park Row, on 70 ray 16th, I think, is the no. Things are wonderful with him as usual, but Rob told me later he is looking for some insurance business as a side line — probably to help pay his rent. I couldn't help, honey, showing him up by speaking of you. I told him how wonderfully you are getting along. He said very little, then. I told Rose I expect that you would have a big write up in the paper as several reporters had been up to see you. I promised to show it to her. They are

certainly a lot of hot air. I made them admit that you are alright! Nothing new to me, of course, simply like to hear others express the same opinion. I felt like telling him it doesn't require 'Army officers' to make a success, its brains, that's needed, and any old sort of an officer will do. As for Hunter's brains, its a wonder he can make enough to buy himself a drink of water! How about that clipping in the paper, Lucky, did it ever come off?

(our) Rose is sure some wonderful kid. I have been telling everyone of Ro's breaking the engagement. His the best, and Rose thinks so too. I only wish I was at home more so that we could go out a bit more. She takes good care of me, always careful about my food etc. I shall surely miss her now that I am down here. I forgot to tell you Sue, Rose and the baby may come down to your mothers' house to show mum the baby on Sunday a week, when I shall be off. She is wild about your mother.

Mum dear had a dream a few nights ago in which she saw a baby. — Such a pretty white bottle baby, she said, with a pretty cap on. She saw herself crying terribly with a look over her face - as though she were in "school"

Lena laid out the dream for us. The baby was a boy, a little boy, and it was named after Pop dear. That is, of course as Mom probably figured it out. I told them I hope it wouldn't take long for the dream to come true. What do you say? I afterwards found a safety pin in my pocket so I showed it to them & told her, I had something towards the fulfillment of the dream.

There are great preparations going on for Paige's wedding which will take place in March. They are keeping her trousseau now. Do you remember how by when you asked me the meaning of that word? I guess you fully realize the meaning of it now, don't you precious?

I have your picture (the one in the uniform) on my desk & and you look so appealingly to me honey. Oh, I wish you could walk out of the frame and give me a good big hug and a kiss! the thing I am sure of, when I do see you, I shall make you hold me in your arms, kiss and hug me for the rest of my life.

Give my kindest regards to your aunt and uncle and tell them I hope to see them real, real, soon.

How soon do you think I can come down, love? I +

things continue so, I think perhaps in the beginning of April dont you? I am trying to get things (as far as clothes are concerned) ready, but it is quite hard for me. That is why I am going to Kay's to-morrow. I want to wear a few ~~the~~ undershirts for my uniforms. You ought to see ~~them~~ uniforms that I made ~~yesterday~~ Sunday. They are beauts. When I go down South I am going to wear them in the house. How you think they will look pretty?

Well, dear, I guess you must be tired from simply trying to read this mass of scribbling, so I shall draw my letter to a close. My hand is a little tired, & I think I have fulfilled my promise, haven't I? hope to receive a letter to-day yet, from my precious hubby.

With all my love and kisses, I'll remain as ever,

Your true and loving

Wifie

P.S Don't worry about me - I have everything real nice. Take care of yourself and don't become lonesome or discouraged. If you allow the latter to overpower you it will only retard my coming home.





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June 27, 1919.

Wednesday

Dear Heart

Have just returned, unsuccessful & disappointed, from the office in search of mail from you. Have been over twice to-day and will go over again when the last mail comes in. Since receiving your 3 letters on Monday, I have not had a line. I am so anxious to know how you made out with the burgers. We hope I receive the letter to-day.

After getting them yesterday I went to see Ray. - Stayed until 8.30, sewing in the meanwhile, and then went all the way to my mother's house

after the key to my old room. I had written to Ray that I was coming otherwise I should not have bothered going just yesterday. As to going to Mom's house there was such a big fuss being made, too much to write about, that I thought it best to get the key and have it over with. Consequently I am feeling tired to-day. Somehow or other I do not sleep so soundly anymore — and sleep, in our little davenport is now impossible for me. (Slept at Mom's house yesterday).

Did I tell you that Mom is going to buy the davenport from me? I sold it for $25. I sure was happy to get it off my hands, as I shall never have use for it now.

Ray & Wendell are well and happy, & as to the kids they are dandy. That sure is some baby. She is beginning to distinguish between people, and to see her reach over and stretch her tiny hands to Ray is too dear for words. They all send you their love.

How are you feeling precious? We hope you are feeling yourself again. Don't forget to take care of yourself. Have you seen Dr. Logan yet?

Have not seen the folks since Monday

morning. but Rose calls me up Every day - that is yesterday + to-day. Everything is alright at home & she tells me. Will be down for supper Friday night.

Am all init" ant, having written all I knew yesterday. So shall close with all my love to my precious hubby. Am so lonesome for you and such a letter for most 2 days makes me feel just a twig, tweeny littler bit blue. Perhaps I'll receive a letter yet. to-day.

With all my love, hugs, + kisses,

I'll close.

Your wifie
Frances. -

Jan 23, 1919.

Thursday: ——

Dearest Love: ——

Accept my heartiest Congratulations and my best wishes, that the office you are now opening will soon enlarge and that this is the beginning of a successful and happy career. Honey dear, I can hardly express in writing what I wish for you. It will all come to you, I know, because dear, you deserve it. In a short time, honey, I expect to hear your name all over Memphis. Success, happiness and health is what I wish for you, now - and all the time. I am happy, very happy that you are in for yourself. As you know, that is how I always wanted you to start — perhaps it will be a little harder in the beginning but in the long run I think you will find

it the nicest thing. You too, must feel happy now that things are settled. It will certainly be a case of starting small and working up. But we know precious if you need some more money.

Barney, too, is settled. He bought all his furniture for the waiting room in an auction for £8. A wonderful bargain. They sell me - the furniture being of mahogany. I am glad that he has, now, at least, made a start.

That is certainly wonderful of both Jane and Mr. Solomon. Needless to say how much we appreciate it and I am sure an opportunity will come by which he can prove how grateful we are to them. Give them my kindest regards and tell them, although I do not know them, I thank them very much for the help they have given you. I hope to meet them soon and have it one large happy family.

Jean is very well. Ann & Louis are coming to dinner on Thursday. I had a letter from Jean Ewing & I'll answer it today. Love from Jean.

As to Mrs. Lagaan - She must be wonderful. I know I will like her, and hope that she will feel the same towards me. Give her my kindest regards, too, and tell her I, too, hope to see her, very, very Shortly. It would be Splendid if we could arrange to be near them, it would make it so less lonesome for me, but I am afraid dear, that we couldn't just now afford to have a home near theirs. He has been successful and making money for quite a few years - but, you can see that it, honey, when the time comes. See what you can do, — I am only too glad to have you do business Enough to have me come down. Give Mr. & Mrs. Lagaan my best regards. How is their little girl? Since you make no mention, I take it that you have not visited the Gold yet?

You sure will become a mason. If you care to join now. I will raise the money. LET me know. Have you become a member of both Lodges? How much money have you, honey?

I am stopping down at the hospital almost all the time now. I really have a beautiful room & on the whole I like it pretty well. I am not as lonesome as I thought I would be. I have your picture on the desk in front of me and spending the Evening sewing and dreaming of you and the home I hope to have some day. Everything has filtered down as far as the housekeeping etc is concerned. And now for a good piece of news —— I am going to get that increase of $8.33 per month, which will bring my salary up to $71.83. My expenses should be very little and I will be able to straighten out those debts which are constantly worrying me. After that I will be able to save towards my clothes and other things for the trip South. I do not get into any crush & grind & Coin. and that means a whole lot. In fact, now that you are not home, I am quite contented and happy where I am. Everything is clean & good nothing to worry about and all conveniences. If I cared for, I could go out with the women here but I sooner be alone. As things are now, I intend to see my mother on Tuesday

Do you see any chance for you to get a vacation? I can't come to you as I have no money. I will see you as soon as I can get it. I will write you a letter as soon as I can get it. I will write you a letter as soon as I can get it. I will write you a letter as soon as I can get it.





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June 24, 1919
Friday

Dear Hubby: ——

It certainly is terrible the way the mail travels. Some days I receive two, and then 2 days pass before I get another. I see you too, are experiencing the same trouble. Yet each day I try to post the letter at the same time, thinking that will regulate it. Did you write Sunday? I did not receive any, so suppose you didn't.

How is the office now, precious? Anything coming in? I do hope, honey, that you are doing well. I know money soon flies when you are buying up things. Try to get them as cheaply as possible. — You can change very easily when things

pick up. You ought you have already done this. $10 for a type-writer is the limit — and second handed you say. If it wasn't that you have written the 70 so plain I would be sure I read wrong. You can do much better here and if you want I'll look around & see what I can do. I could express it out to you, couldn't I?

How much money have you left precious? Have you received any money on cases up to date? Don't worry over it honey, it is only a matter of time. How about the divorce case? Write and tell me all about it as I am very anxious to know just how things are with you. I hardly thought the Masonic fee would be so large. $50 just now would make a terrible hole and I am afraid it will have to wait a little while. Not long, though, I hope. I think it best to wait a while, don't you, honey?

Honey, dear, what can I write or do, to cure your lonesomeness? It causes me more than one tear and my heart is as though of lead. Try to go out, honey, more in the evenings. Precious, it is awful, and I hope the time won't be long now, anymore, — and after that, I'll take care there will be no more separating. How do you spend your Evenings, precious? Ah! Honey, dear, how I wish I was down there to make you happy! How long do you think it will be?

I am feeling splendid as far as all else goes. How are your precious kid? Have you seen Mr. Lagan yet. Have you lost weight. Do take care of your-

Sadie, honey. Don't forget I want you to tell me just how you are feeling in your answer. Also how your headaches are. And don't forget to tell me how you stand financially. Are you eating good and regularly? Let me know.

I am going home to night to have supper with the folk. I dread Friday nights, now, because when Zeida "lunches" I almost turn inside out, trying to appear unaffected so as not to make them feel worse. Rose called me up to find out when I am coming home, and what she said about my stupidity - may was any thing but complimentary.

Well, Lass, dear, I hope in the next letter to hear that you and Everything in the office is alright. God bless & take care of you, my darling precious Kitty and bring us soon to - gether. Your everloving wifie

P.S. I will send you mail tomorrow to your office.





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Jan 25, 1919
Saturday.

Dearest Hubby. —

This is in answer to your letter of the 22nd. I received it yesterday afternoon, after mailing my letter to you.

How is heavenly Love? Are things picking up any? We hope so. Honey. Let me know.

As to my living at the dispensary don't worry about it honey. You see to it that you get me down as quickly as possible and — the meanwhile I'll take care of myself. If I find it too hard or unbearable, I'll quit and get something else. It is dear of you to offer to send me money but honey,

you know, I would never take it, now. The fact that I know it wouldn't be long, makes me stand and put up with a lot which I otherwise would not swallow. Just now, I am anxious to settle what we owe, and then get a little money together for clothes which I will need when I come down. The extra money 8.33 per month will come in mighty handy - I will have very little expense - So you see I am pretty comfortably fixed. much better, probably, than I could do, if I did not have a maintenance job. I will stick it out until it is time for me to leave for South - unless they try to put something over on me, and then, believe me I'll fight it out & then find myself. Just now things are peaceful - but there is something going on. Time will only tell what it is. It may, of course mean nothing, I can't just figure it out. The dispensary is now separate from the hospital - meaning that Mr. Stone no longer has us on his payroll. It may mean the keeping of the dispensary Expense to - gether. Mr. Swallow is now in charge, so he says, of the dispensary - the charge being of me, besides himself. I immediately told him, in that case that leaves me out of Sunday work - as the

I are now separated. Will in that respect they are still affiliates. Mr Swallow is going to see Mr. Ott. about it shortly, he says. That as you do, I just listen - and that's all. That is the least of it - I don't mind so much working Sundays now. Except that I could do some sewing if I were home. But don't worry over this, dear, God knows I am able to take care of myself & hold my own ground. And just now things are rather peaceful and happy — there is no sense of crossing the bridge until I get there.

I was down to the house last night, had supper and stayed over night. Rosa was down also. Mom was worried, since she had not heard from you in several days. Relieving your message to her. The weather was wonderful last night, so Rose, Rob & I took a walk to Pelham Ave. One of the prongs of my ring became loose, & we all took the walk to have it fixed. It's alright now.

Am on duty to-morrow, and will write to you again. Don't forget to take care of yourself precious. Will close with all my love, kisses and thoughts to my precious Hubby. Your loving wife

Everything at home and Everyone are alright. Mom was up to see Rosa & Mr Ketka.





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Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 26, 1919.

Sunday. ——

Precious Hubby. ——

Received your letter yesterday in answer to my big letter — gosh! but you sure are stingy. I want a big big one, too.

Lord, dear, I am so happy when I read that things are beginning to form a foundation. Because then I know you are happy and encouraged. As to Mr. Solomon, honey, I can scarcely express how grateful I am to him. In the hour of need, he proved himself a friend, and I am sure neither of us will forget it. Extend my sincerest and kindest regards to him and tell him I thank him for what he has done for you.

To-day, I am on duty, and the weather is simply wonderful. This just like June. Except for about 2 cold days since you left, we have had practically no winter. Good thing too, here, its seems hard for the people's health. The epidemic has broken out again here real

near so bad as it was. How is it down there? many cases of it? You say it rained 2 days? Heavens that must have been terrible. I guess after all there is nothing like New York's weather what do you say?

I was delighted to hear that you got another case. Mr Lagaar is certainly nice, too. After all how can they help it — my lucky — —. Did you get that bizarre case precious? Have you seen any money at all yet? I called up Mom as soon as I received your letter telling me of your opening an office and Mom expressed her sincerest wishes that it should be a ~~stick~~ thick and target. Pop and all home too expressed the same wish.

I called up Sue today. She and Bob and the baby are coming up next Sunday to see your mother. I shall be off then, and of course will be up too. Both Bob & Sue send their best wishes to you. As soon as I get there today I am going to run up and see Mary. She called me up yesterday to tell me to be sure and come. Will come back to the hospital to sleep though.

We certainly had a wonderful lunch at the hospital today. Delicious chicken, sweet & mashed white potatoes asparagus, ice cream, besides soup, coffee & butter bread. The meals are really very good now — and if I should weigh about 250 lbs when you see me — don't be surprised. I do wish, lucky dear, that you could have some nice private family where you could enjoy home meals. Can't you find any such place?

I had that picture enlarged. It sure does look good. It is much larger than my photo. I should like to frame it and thought that when

I got South, it would be nice for your private office. Did you get any pictures yet for it? Dining? I had not time in Zephia I thought a walnut frame pretty. Will that sort of match the other frames? (Walnut is sort of a brown wood).

Give my regard to Mr. & Mrs Brazier, and my love to your aunt and uncle. And don't forget my message to Mrs. Solano. I hope to see them all before long.

And to my hubby — well you can give him my regards too. In case he should care for more — well there is always a heap of love and kisses waiting for him to collect. He sure is a precious dear hubby, but he must take care of himself. Don't forget.

Ever Lovingly
Your wife

P.S. Mrs. Tod has me to ask you if you took care of your insurance as she got a slip from the other risk bureau.





Joseph M. Freedman, Atty,
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Jan 28, 1919.
Tuesday.

Precious Love: —

Received your Saturdays letter this morning and — wonderful news! — The mail has been so regular this week that I received a letter daily. It's funny is disgusting to wait all day, expecting with each mail to get a letter and the next day you receive two.

All yesterday I longed for you dearie awful; in the evening I wrote you the long letter and talk about being lonesome! precious it was awful. I could no longer hold back all those tears. When I finally did close off, it was to feel myself tortuously

The weather has been something wonderful, certainly unheard of for this time of the year. It is really a pity to have to be shut in all day.

I am taking good care of myself see that you do the same. Remember me to all and tell them I hope to be there before long.

With love to my hubby and kisses galore, I close

Everlovingly
Frances

reaching & moving toward you. In my sleep I could feel how happy I was. I soon awoke, though, and found that I was still in Bellevue and you were still far, far away in Memphis.

I know dear you must feel happy that you had your own office, and thank God, you certainly are doing wonderful for a start. I do hope you keep in touch with that Jewish lawyer there, like everyone else down there, is certainly taking a keen interest in you.

While there are certainly many, many things that I must to GET for myself - Still, you know that there is 75 coming to me to Ada. I could never get anything for myself before I first settled off these debts. It sure is about time, don't you think? So you see while I am happy to get the money from you it will only pass thru my hands. It will take January & February's check to settle these debts - March's check will hardly cover my need for the trip - so if you are not able to help me out by that time, I am afraid that it will mean May before I can think of starting. I have tried to figure it out all ways but I guess this will be the best solution.

Mrs. J. M. Freedman

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Jan 29, 1919.

Precious Hanky:—

Received your Sunday's letter after I had posted my letter to you yesterday. If you are so anxious to join the mucous I will, of course mail you the money just as soon as I get my check. In case you do not receive it in time, ask some one to lend it to you, as, on account of our severing relations with Bellevue, I may not get it on the 1st. of the month. Just as soon as I do I will immediately mail you the money. Then too, I may have a little trouble getting it cashed, as mum is the only one I know where I can exchange it. However, you can depend on it and just as soon as I can get it to you, you shall have it. I can give Ray the balance next month. Since writing this I received your Monday's letter. It brought honey. You can consider the money as a Birthday gift. Your joining will have many advantages, making you more prominent, which is what you want. The only thing is that I may not be able to get it to you in time. Received a letter from Mr. Ray Carr, this morning. He wrote quite a nice letter saying you were always ill — only lonesick. Will answer it to-day, and post them to-gether.

Spent the night at my mother's house last night. Pop was rather depressed as the firm he was working for gave up. They were doing uniforms as you know, and now Pop is at a loss as what to do. It hurts him I think more than

perhaps, he could do something there, but of course as it is I hardly think he would ever go. Edna wants a letter from you.

I am sorry dear that you are so lonesome in the evening. Never mind precious I shall soon be there. I, too, am very, very lonesome — and only the thought that may or perhaps April is so very near keeps me up. I hardly know that you now missed me so much. I shall try to go up as often as I can, but you see just how I am situated.

That everything is going so nice & smoothly at your office makes me very happy. I sure do hope Hardy it continues forever. Did Mr. Solomon get the other necessary things YET? Give him my remembrances.

The hens became very, very busy, and I have been disturbed about 100 times, so I shall close with all my love, hugs & kisses. Excuse appearance of paper I do not know however it became so soiled. My regards to your aunt & uncle.

Lovingly
Frances.

P.S. Have opened your letter to tell you I'll have to mail Dr. Lazaar's letter in care of you as the mail has stamped on the address he wrote on the back. It looks like 28 N. Court but am not sure.

The type of your machine is wonderful. Love Frances.





Joseph M. Freedman, Atty,

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June 30, 1919.
Thursday.

Harry Love: ———

So far have received no mail yet to-day, but since it is only early afternoon I still have hopes. No mail coming this week have received a letter regularly each day.

We are now getting very busy. Things are just as they seem to be. As I am entitled to get your letter out before 5, when the mail is collected here, I sometimes have to write a stingy little letter — So you will know why, when this happens.

Everything is going along quietly. Occasionally my foot bothers me a little but not very much. I find after [illegible] have been about a month for a few

days, it bothers me slightly. Not much to speak of and am sure that as soon as I am able to give it a good rest, it will be alright. How about your headaches? Still bother you? When you do get them does that salve do you any good? Take care of yourself, honey, won't you?

The weather here dear, is ideal. I know I have already told you of it several times, but it is so wonderful I just can't help mentioning it all the time. It is really like Spring.

I was rather hurried yesterday, when I wrote you. I sat down and got myself ready for a nice long letter. Wasn't it nice of Dr. Layton to take the trouble of sending that report? He sure must be nice. He told me I was the only doctor to cure you — So — Since I don't want a sick lucky — you had better send for me real, real soon. I do so want to be with you precious. Do you still think April?

How is the office getting along? Have you been up to see that lawyer the Dean was to introduce you to? How are the cases coming along? And, how, how about that divorce case? Did the negress back out? If she did, for the sake of business, I hope her hubby soon comes home in an argumentative mood +

gives her a black eye. What do you say?

Yes, dear, I sure do think you struck a wonderful bargain with the typewriter. Sadie, who, by the way, sends her best regards to you, says they are terribly high, just now. You sure are proud of the machine, aren't you, dear?

With my best regards to all of [illegible] in Memphis, I'll close, with the tenderest love to my precious precious hubby,

Ever so fondly,

Your terribly lovesome

wifie

P.S. Hope I get my check Saturday, as I could then easily cash it with mama & send you the money. I do not want to tell them at home that I am doing this, otherwise I should borrow it until I get the check





Joseph M. Freedman

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Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 31, 1919
Friday: —

Dear Heart: —

Received your Tuesday letter yesterday in the very last mail - 5 P. M. The paper only came this morning. Rose had already called me up before it came, and read to me over the phone the news. It sure is great — right on the first page, too, but only decent they put your nice picture in? Had ought to make you popular, what do you say, such a fortunate hero! Be careful of the girls, honey. The lettering is alright!

Well, to day is Friday & I shall run up to the house for Supper. I'll —

with dear that you were going to be there, too, like old times

I sure am happy to know that you are getting along so wonderfully well. You sure are doing remarkable and don't forget, dear, to take the best care of yourself. You have no idea how happy I am whenever you write that you are meeting some of the big people. Even if they do not help you at that time, they will, when they can put things your way. It is best to know + keep in close touch with these influential folks. And honey, you will keep after this a. Goodman. As you know, it is people like this that can make you famous + successful in a very short time. Keep me posted just how things are going with you. I do hope it won't be long before I can see these things for myself.

I will remember what you wrote about getting anytime I find things unbearable in the dispensary. Mr. Swallow is still as petty as usual, sometimes worse I think than usual but it has the same effect upon me as water has on a duck's back. It is a pity, though that a man of his education and age should act that way, especially when he has absolutely

-us cause or right. But as I told you before, I am always able to hold my own ground, - sometimes this makes it unpleasant, but still it cant be helped.

I called up Mom this morning to find out how Pop was getting along. Was glad to know Pop is working as I could not see how depressed he was the other night.

Will close dear, with all my love to my precious hubby whom I am dying with lonesomeness to see.

Everlovingly
Frances.

Hope I receive my check to-morrow will let me know.





Joseph Max Freeman, Atty,

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Feb 1, 1919.
Saturday.

Precious Hubby: ——

This is in answer to your Wednesday's letter which I received only this morning. Your letters always come in the last mail + I leaving early, could not get it last night.

I am enclosing in money order for $20. I happened to mention last night that I thinks I would get my check + tells your mother that I wanted to send you $20. Mom gave me the $20 and it rains but what it pours, I got my check early this morning. I got my increase on this check and I paid $10 on my bond which is certainly shamefully in arrears. Now lovey, this money is your birthday gift, a little previous, but

& I know you are anxious to use it, therefore don't hesitate to use it. You know I always, when making a gift, try to get what you like. I'll bet you are happy to join the masses next Jan. dear, don't you? I am sending you my heartiest congratulations. I do think besides the benefit you will derive fraternally, it will aid you greatly in your profession. The best of luck to you, honey, dear. I don't think precious, you will have any trouble meeting the rent in April, do you? For as you say, once the money comes in it will roll - like in everything else it is hard in the beginning - the establishing of it - and once that is done things will run smoothly.

You sure have made the acquaintance of some dandy people and I am proud of you dear. Keep it right up, honey. This A. Goodman is a brick. Keep right after him, precious. Just as I wrote yesterday, while they themselves may not, at the time be able to do anything for you, they will do what they can and put different little things in your way. Hear about the Genesis Lawyer. See him yet? And don't forget to see the Hales as soon as you can. He, too, may do something for you.

I can picture the feelings of H. Goldberger but you should worry honey it's all in the game. As to the permit case — well I just hope you get it. How about that emigration case? Do anything on it? Is it the desired one? I am happy that you got some more pictures — how does the office look now?

well honey, if you want to collect those hugs & kisses you must hurry up. "Not responsible for goods left over 30 days". My lips are cracked and dry — all from the lack of exercise - and as what I can - I can't get them in shape again. Another reason why you should collect those kisses soon. Do you know I so often get that feeling of your arms going about me — I can - that's a fact — just feel them — and then when I get ready for the hug it just sort of vanishes. I do, honey, miss you dreadfully.

Tell Mr. Lazaar, that as he very well knows, there was no "splatter" in my eye when I married you. I was simply able to pick out a wonderful husband. Don't worry honey, I don't think I shall ever regret the step — it's only this seperation that at times makes me feel badly. Give the Mr. & his wife my regards. How is your aunt feeling now? able to cook? Give my regards to her.

Exclamation. Your aunt & uncle.

Exclamation. Thanks.





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Feb. 2, 1919.

Sunday..

Precious Husky Dear: ——

Although it is only 7.30 in the afternoon, let me tell you all I have already done this morning. I slept at my mother's house - and awoke at about 9 A. M. laid in bed, it sure was a treat until 9.45, thinking of you all the time and wishing, oh, so hard! that you were with me. I sure do long for your hugs. I thought of the times on Sunday morning, when you were still here. Finally I got up, washed dressed and sat down to Sea. First, of course I had a regular good jewish breakfast.

feast of herring, potatoes, pan cakes (buckwheat) coffee and butter bread. You know those breakfasts. I made rather a pretty waist, but having so very little material it came out rather small in so I gave it to Edna. It never was a beauty and Edna was tickled. She deserved it as she got promoted without any conditions.

Do you know the news about Henry, being promoted? He is some kid.

After sewing the waist I took a walk to your brothers house, the weather is so ideal. Sue is not coming up to-day as the baby is not feeling so well and Sue herself has a sore throat. and Lord I am sure, how is that for a morning's work?

Bill got a check for $10 from the railroad company. Believe me, honey, he is a lucky jewess! what do you say? She is busy sewing, preparing for her trip South, expecting to leave by the latest by April 1st. I told her, I may go with her. I hope so, dear, don't you?

Ray called up, from the phone yesterday, she told us that Amanda has chucked her position earning $8 a week more. His old boss wanted to give him the $8 - but, since Amanda has already started on the new job - they parted as the best of friends, this old boss telling him he'd be pleased to have him come back anytime. I think, now, Ray will more to where

Strange but when I dream of my home
it is always similar to that. And dear
heart, I sure do dream of it often. Every-
thing, Hanky, does come to he who waits,
and I am positive our smile came in
reasonable time. If you, Love, wants
your wife, I sure do want my
hubby man and I know dear, you are
trying your very, very best to have
me with you. Do you know sweet-
heart it is almost a month since you
kissed + hugged me. That doesn't sound
like a loving husband, does it?

Hon, how did you make out at
the Grand Jury? Did you, precious,
convict the man? And money? Has
it begun to roll in yet. Do hope so,
so mama's home. That will make it nice all
around. I shall run up to see them all
on Tuesday.

We has a little excitement last
week. A fire broke out in the garage
of the Hospital. Never did I see so many
hooks a ladders at one time! Some
commotion. The next morning I was
grieved to death to find that the
asst. Supt.'s car had burnt up. One
of the hospitals' big trucks was entirely
destroyed, too. His asst. Supt. had
the car insured - So he is out nothing.

In my yesterdays letter you
wrote about sue's home. Hanky, a
home like that, with you and —
would making me wonderfully happy

honey bear. You are doing remarkably well, & to-
day I am proud of you dear, as putting it mildly.
You are going about it in the proper way, going
about meeting people — just people - and gaining
their confidence. Your failing to get the
permit, was certainly nothing that you could help.
I rather felt, when you told me of the city's at-
titude toward these gypsies, that you would
no doubt meet with a disappointment. I am sure
Mr. Goodman realizes this and feels just as
he told you, that he is satisfied you did your
best. I can never talk about you enough at
home. All last night, I was telling them of
the different people you met, and of the cases
you have. Pop and Mom are as happy as can
be, and you would be happy to see the interest
they display in you. I have thought of my mother's
attitude on the night that you left, many, many
times, and can only say that Mom has felt hurt
because very often you would be so quiet, Mom
rather felt that perhaps things at home did not
suit you. However, dear, that is all over, and
any thing that you think was not just so, you
must forget, for I can assure Mom's feeling to-
wards you are very warm. And as to Pop, you know
he is very, very fond of you.

Now, dear, I must tell you something, which

becaus? Take care of yourself, precious, and dont smoke too much. How are your backaches, dear?

I am wondering what you are doing to-day? Write and let me know. I know how you feel on Sunday. For that same reason I keep myself always occupied — otherwise I am sure I could not stand it. As it is, I am always conscious that the hurly & bustle more than life is 40 hours travel from me and it takes four days to receive & answer a letter if all goes smoothly. We have become very busy at the hospital — just like old times but I do not mind it. It keeps me busy.

and Gig's you a great shock. Sadie has sent to Waverly, her beauty fund! You didn't I always tell you so! Both Sadie & Zy are having good times as usual, theatres, suppers, visiting & etc. I am not jealous, do not think so for a minute, Lovey, only showing you that she still gets what she wants. You once said that ruled us out.

Lolly is great. He keeps telling me that if ever I should think I am going down and count him, I am mistaken. If he were to find out I want during the night, he would follow me in the morning! Talk about teasing me! I told him it is only because you are not here, that he gets an opportunity at it — me, a poor defenseless, husbandless woman! He keeps telling me that you are smoking cigarettes. You are not, are you

Since starting this letter, your friend Rose has come in. He wants to know if I am writing a book. He does know what it means to be separated from the dearest person in the world to you, and that the only means you have is to write.

Rose asked me to tell you to do all you possibly can to get Zeidie's passport to travel back home. He is simply pining to go back. Rose & Helen is mailing you the letters that came from England. Am I seeing this, Mama, too, is very anxious to have him go, too.

Well, love heart, I think I shall close, what do you say? As to your leaving your uncle's home, I did not mean, hungry for you to do that. I meant to have your meals, since you are eating away from their home, anyway, at a jewish home. You would enjoy it much better. You like home cooking much better. I feel as you do, about your uncle. I am sure he is sincere in his friendship, now. He has, I think, proven it, doesn't he? As to Mr. Solomon he, too, is a brick. Give them all my best regards also Mr. & Mrs. Cazaar if you should see them.

Rose says easy telling why I am writing such a long letter — it's not my

writing paper. Do you see, precious, I positively will have to stop now.

With all my love, kisses & hugs to the dearest, precious hubby in the world, I'll close to keep them I keep quiet. You would n't quite it was a crime & to write a big letter to a precious hubby. Just wait until they get into the same boat, what do you say?

Expect Sailie England up soon. And then I'll have her how to go on with a scrim.

Again, with all my love (that two portions) I'll close.

Everlasting &
Your lonesome little sweet.



Joseph M. Freedman, Atty,

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June 3, 1919.
Monday.

Dearest Hubby in all the world:—

I have been waiting all day for a letter and now at 2.30 was handed your big, big letter of 31st. Honey, look, it is something wonderful. All your letters are precious and I am heartedly ashamed of mine. Dear, after I read your letter, I want, oh, I want so much to start out to you. Dear heart I am very lonesome and hungry for you. Why do we have to be parted so? Will the time never come for me to be with you? Although I think of you constantly, I dreamt of you last night for the first time. You were sleeping in bed (just where I slept last night) in your mothers house. When I saw you, you were fast asleep and I laid my head on your pillow looking and looking at you, but was working to awaken you. Finally, dear, you open your eyes—and then

precious I was, & so happy & so wrapped in you. It was just as though you had returned from South yet at times I felt as though you were still in service. I soon awoke, and I can't not describe to you the miserable lonesome, disappointed feeling that came over me. Dear heart, don't worry, I shall be patient, but oh! the time does pass so slowly, and life is absolutely nothing without you.

As to mum, you have absolutely nothing to worry about. Rose only writes 3 times a week. Tuesdays, Thursdays, & Sunday. Last Thursday she said she did not write, because, I think, she went out with Sadie and did not come back until late. Zeida is well, and happy. This morning I was in the house when the mail came. Zeida had started out for school and met the carrier. He came all the way back, up the stairs and stood and listened to every word of your letter. He says very little but is anxious to get back to London, especially after those letters from England. Zeida, honey, just worships you. I do not wonder at it, either. Henry is promoted as you know. He suffers occasionally from headaches, and mum is going to bring him down to the dispensary again. Polly is doing alright. Rose, is as usual, not looking very well, since Pop's death. I am trying to get her to go out a little more, but the pity of it is, that I am stuck down in this old hole. As to her deserving a good fellow, honey, I wish there was just such another as you for her. She deserves, one as good and as wonderful as you, perhaps even more than I do. But honey love, I shall never regret marrying you, and shall never cease loving you, for you are more than wonderful, and I love you more than life itself. Dear, your

get so. If that is so, honey, that will just come in handy & cover my travelling expenses.

Dear heart, you simply must not praise and rave over me so much to the folks down there. Gosh, how disappointed they will be when I come down, and think, honey how embarrassed I'll be. But, precious I want you to continue to think so. I'll continue, honey, to think me all the pretty endearing terms you write in my letters. Yesterday morning before I left for your mother's home, I opened up my drawer containing my pretties, & looked at them again. Honey, whether it is because I made them for you to admire and because I hold them so sacred, I do not know, but, dear, I just love them. Even looking at them & handling them thrakes me feel so happy— how, dear, will I feel & appearing them for that means I shall be snuggled in your arms, happy and contented. I can't be much longer, honey can it? A position with your consideration, and lovingness, in fact everything is so good and wonderful that this seperation is all the worse for it. I hope honey, it won't be long. I can't advise you as to what your income should be honey. I must leave it to you and only tell you to have me come down as soon as possible. I hope it will be early in April that I can go down. Ah you know honey, when we were married, as you know, I thought I loved you; either I did not know the depth of my love for you at the time or else it has increased a thousands times — but dear you know how deep my love is for you. You have been a husband beyond my expectations, and now that you will be placed in a position to show it to me — how can I help but being happy and simply worshiping you? Perhaps dear this seperation have proven to us, just how much we love each other and what one of us means to the other. We will see when the time comes concerning my travelling expenses. They told me that it has already been passed upon that each discharged soldier is to

love, is all I ask for. Only please God, a little fan the flame of our love. This, dear, is what I long for, don't you? He certainly must be a little King in our home, what do you say. Wait to wait, honey — to wait — Everything takes so long. And yet that is the only word suitable now.

As to the Tuckers, dear, they are always talking highly about you. They are very very fond of you. It is a pity you were not better acquainted with them before you left. And for H. J. he is scarcely worth writing about — no brains, that's all that's the trouble with him — otherwise he's alright.

Ben Lee, I suppose is discharged. Not taking with him honey, he is not worthy of your friendship. Have not heard from Harding at all. Les not understand him —

I am so happy, honey that you sent that man up, because he deserved it and because you were the cause. It will add to your reputation and help to build up your practise. Honey, haven't I always said that I knew, once you were in the position, you would get along splendidly and, Success? I have always had all the confidence in the world in you. and so has everyone else, and that is why everyone is so nice to you and helping you along so much. Here is your uncle, Solomon, the Rogan, the Newmans and then A. Goodman, that I know of, that have proven what I say. Love, dear, I am so happy that this is so; I want you to be famous, and as I have always said if there is anything in my power to make you so, you will be. I am sure the Golds will help you too, so dear go up & see them. Surely.

It will make it nice for me too. Tell Mr. & Mrs. Lazear that they are very kind, and I hope to see them soon. My deepest regards and best wishes is all that is in my power to send them now, but I hope to become fast friends with them both. I am sure I will.

Dear, dear, take care that your head does not ache you too much. Don't smoke too much precious. I am glad the Kit is proving useful, — but dear, I am sorry you find occasion to use it.

Love, your letters are long, but I can not help it if I am selfish — they are not long enough for me. I want that book full — so get ——— soon. Soon. I write just as small & as closely as you do.

My foot is fairly well, & I am taking good care of your property. You see that you do the same + take just as good care of mine. And love, dear, soon I hope to see for myself just how much care you have taken of my and your precious fingers. With all the love, kisses & hugs there ever existed, I'll close your lonesome "little Jake".

(just rec'd your Sunday letter)





Joseph M. Freedman,

45 Goodhue Building,

Memphis, Tenn.

Feb 4th, 1919.
Tuesday: —

Most Wonderful Hubby: —

Received your Saturday's letter late yesterday afternoon so you see, honey, love, yesterday was for me a real red letter day — your long letter of Friday & Saturday's. But, precious, to-day I am paying up for it.

Dear, heart, no doubt you have already received the money order. Use it precious with the best of luck. You will receive this on the 6th. the day following the initiation into the masonic lodge. How was it precious? Write and tell me all about it dear.

Dr Ker. Regan says the puffs under your eyes are because you stay up

so late, then dear you must follow his instructions. Tramp pose the etc. implys smoking? Well then Lucky, you must moderate that, too. Yes, dear, do as he tells you. Take care of yourself, hubby, for my sake.

As I have already told you Pop is now working I will tell him of your offer. It will please him greatly. I do hope when I get there, Pop would follow, don't you? I have would mean that gradually both your and mine father & mother would be near us.

Last night, in my room, I took out your letters and reread them, cried over them, and longed for you. Dear heart, I want to be with you. I cannot tell you how lonesome I am for you. Will the time never roll around?

Your uncle, honey, is wonderfully kind, and tells him I said so, and am sending back to him and your aunt a niece's love. While he is handy to suggest your starting up a home before I come down, I think precious, that when we first are together we can be in a little furnished place. Then gradually when we see you are getting firmly on your feet we can get a small place and fix it up nicely, getting a little but good. If mean dear we'll let us have that set, that would fix up your library nicely. All we will need is a book-case and perhaps a leany chair or so. That lamp that Rose gave us will come in handy. But, dear, I want to be with you when we get our furniture. I want to pick it out - so dear wait until I come down you see, honey, besides the furniture there are an awful lot of things to get. That is why, I think if we are in a place furnished, where we can do light house-keeping, we can gradually get these things together, and then pick out ours & get the furniture. What do you say? I think a couple of weeks or a month after I am there will find us looking for rooms.

dear, is that all you charged your client in that indictment case — $6? Did you get that divorce case you were out about? How about the attorney — did they look and ? oh, how I wish money could just pour into you.

Don't worry because you think the letters from mama or not long or frequent enough because as mama dear always says, she knows I write every day. So she is not so anxious. Rose says she wants to know what she writes of it isn't news?

Well, precious, I shall close tonight but longingly. My regards to Mr. Solomon Ler. + Mrs. Lazarus. The doctor sure does look for those you don't he, but wait dear, until I am there — then we shall both get even with him. Kisses all my thoughts, love + kisses

your everloving wife

Frances.

P.S. Am going to Klaj's house tonight. Will give them all your love.





Joseph M. Freedman, Esq.,

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Memphis, Tenn.

Jan 5, 1919.

Wednesday.

Precious Love: —

Received your Sunday's letter late yesterday afternoon and have just now read your letter of ~~Monday~~ Sunday. Dear heart, you know how much I love you, don't you dear? and how much I miss you — dear, it is something terrible to be separated from you. Love only you? Precious, when I think, it seems I must have loved you all my life — even before I really met you. All these people about me — seemed to be simply here to make up a world, — but there is only two in my little world. Honey, you are always in my thoughts — always! You talk of yearning for me? Dear, constantly I am yearning for your arms about me, for you to love, hug & kiss me. At times I feel it will drive me mad. To-day I am working mechanically — without a thought on my work — all my thoughts are with you. I only hope & pray, things will continue to

go well with you, so that I can soon come down.

As for Kay, I'll tell him, honey, of what you write. Just now, I think he would rather stay where he is but perhaps after I am down I may persuade him to come down. Thank you much for his offer. He is certainly nice.

Did not go to Kay's last night as I wrote you, as the weather man played a mean trick on me. Just as it was about to start out, it rained like the mischief. It is the first rain we have had for goodness knows when. The weather is sure ideal here now. (How is it there? Are going to Kay's to-night for supper — (stuffed milts). Mendel is greatly pleased over his new job — besides the $8 more per week, he gets home early nights. So you see he made a change for the better.

This week the mail has been marvelously regular: a letter each day. I can't understand why you did not get my Saturday's letter on Monday, as I particularly marked it to you early so that you would have the check for Monday. I wanted to surprise you real early, knowing it would make you feel happy. For that reason I did not send it registered but got a m.o. order instead. You surely must have received it by now — but it is a pity you didn't have it for Monday.

Called Sue up this morning and told her of your message to them. She was delighted to hear from you & sends you her best "hog" luck. I & the baby are feeling better now and want Rose & myself to come up & see her during the week.

Yes, indeed this Goodman fellow is treating you royally. How about that negro — did he show up about his divorce case? Hope so precious because we may need this divorce, but believe me, honey, we will get his money, what do you say, love? Any money came in since the 6. Don't try to fool me out of anything — can't put nothing over me — you know — "that's me all over".

I am happy that you spent Sunday evening at the Dazzari's. It was very kind of Mrs. Dazzari to force you to go. As you spent the evening pleasantly and the had a good home made supper. Never mind, honey, it won't be long before I'll be cooking my own meals, & as a Friday night you know the kind ——

my regards to the Dazzari's. Roseman. Love to your aunt & uncle. Am happy that you had a little interest in me. Don't talk of me as the disappointment — when they see me

as to the furniture, I think precious, it is best to wait until I come down, don't you? What kind of a bed would you rather have? We will decide everything when once I am there. I have made the Spread (you know the Scrim one) to fit a big bed as I remembered what you once said. It is very kind of Mrs. Lazear. She & me is a peach, and Some day I am going to return to her all her kindness. You see, honey, this is the way I feel about it. When we start in house-keeping, I want everything good - Even if it is only a few pieces So that we can always add to it. And since Everything will cost money, I should like to have things to suit my taste - Even though my taste does command so much. I can better judge the pocket-book & what can be spent and how - better than anyone else - so dear I know the plan will suit you - don't you think it is best so? The joy of choosing things for our home dear, is for you and I. Now honey, love, I shall have to close with all my love to my darling hubby whose dreams I hope will all soon come true and in whose arms I hope before long to nestle now for the rest of my life. Ever loving but oh so lonely Travers





Joseph M. Freedman,

45 Goodman Building,

Memphis, Tenn.

February 4, 1915.
Thursday.

Darling Honeybunch: —

Have just called for your letter (Tuesday's) and undelighted with the regularity of the mail of late. I am sorry, honey, that you can't enjoy to same pleasure. After lunch I find your letter — it comes in the second mail which is just at 12.30, when I am returning back to the dispensary.

Dear heart, you hurt me when you say you are going to give me back my gift. Who you think I am an Indian giver? As I told you, that is a gift — your birthday gift — and that is the spirit in which you must accept it. Now don't hurt me by speaking of returning gifts which I mean. Use it precious, with the best of luck.

I am very happy you made that $5. It is a little encouragement to see money — real money — no matter how little. I sure hope that nigger & his friends need your

your assistance soon. Is he the one that has a likeness for large words such as "submerge". Have you remembered telling me about it? No, dear, you have no kick coming.

I met up to see Mary last night. Gee! That baby! If you ever saw her now! All she does is laugh! She is so good now, that she plays on the bed, kicking and punching the air with all her might and going for all she is worth. But now, she is so dear, that you simply have to love her and play with her all the time. I did have some fun with her last night. I acted silly - and she would watch me - you'd think. She understood what you were doing, and then when you'd stop she'd have an appreciation for your efforts and so coax you to begin all over again. She sure is a dear; I wished you could have seen her. Ray & Wendel send their very best love to you and of course so does your niece & nephew.

Tell Mr. Logan he will have to show me the splinter. I'm from Missouri. Besides, that is quite a different report from what he wrote in my letter. Of course it's a secret what he wrote about you — but - well I'll let you have it as a swap — "Last No." I am happy to know you are taking care of your - self and going out in the evenings. Last, dear. I sure do miss you. That feeling of your arms about me, is continually with me. Your lips are still aching for exercise - Still dry and chapped. I can't wait - with them - and am afraid it needs your lip salve.

Did you get the carpet and pictures yet! How does the office look now? Honey, dear, I wish the money would certainly begin to roll in. I want to come home soon.

Has your remember that Californian Capt I once ~~knew~~ knew you about? The one in the Navy, a medical student, who enlisted in California and came in the drug store to get acquainted? He came in to-day. He is being discharged to-morrow. He came in with his wife. He was sorry to learn you were out of town as he wanted to meet you and came up to see us. I sure did enjoy her having her lunch with her. and I told her so, too. He is going to complete his course here and then practice in N.Y.

well, honey love, I can think of nothing more to write except I love you, yearn for you and want to be with you. Everything is as usual. Shall have to wait now another 24 hours until I hear from you again. Oh! dear —— I hope it won't last much longer.

With all my hug, kisses and love,

Your lonesome little wifie

Frances.





Joseph M. Freedman,

H.S. Goodman Building

Memphis, Tenn.

Feb 7, 1914.
Friday

Dear Heart: ——

I should necessarily have to be rather a short letter, as I am going up to Mamie's to-day and shall not have another chance to write before S. I am awfully sorry, Lang, and hope you won't feel disappointed; but, you shall realize it is a better letter to receive a few words than none at all.

We are going to have a little entertainment here on Monday night — a little play, some dancing, singing and playing of instruments (most of which is volunteer work among the employees. After the entertainment there

and be dancing, and refreshments served. I am invited, so I guess I'll go, but will not participate in the dance as I positively cared not dance with anyone, even but you. My dancing will recommence I see you. Besides the show, for which I had tickets previous to your leaving, I have not been anywhere not even to a movie. The show I speak of is the one to which Sadie & I went. Ray wants me to come up Sunday night. Will only be there, sleeping over Saturday night. Perhaps I will go with them to one of Victoria's vaudville shows. Ray wants me too, but, picturing what sort of a place it must be, I am not very anxious about going. I am getting to be a regular hermit.

How is mission precious? Things picking up? Do you miss me, — just a little bit? Or have you found someone down South that you love a little better? Er — Fanny Fishbine?

Daisy is to be married next month. although the day is set, I do not know it. Same time in March, however. I know she has her trousseau bought. It is a little different from mine.

Give my regards to the Sayers & Mr. Solomon. My love to your uncle. And precious, don't forget to take the best of care of yourself. P.S. When I came down, I find

~~Yes~~ You know it — you will have a case for 2K to procure me a divorce. You see I know the price, and you can't make a cent more on me. Or dear, do you want to pay the lawyer's fee? Let me know, as it is very important that I get it straight.

Well, dear heart, I shall have to stop scribbling nonsense. No hope precious you will not be disappointed, for I do know how I feel when I get a stingy letter. Never mind will do better to-morrow.

With all my love to the most precious, darlingest lucky in the world and for whom I keep my every thought and whom I hope to see soon, I close

Longingly
Frances.

P.S. Heid can tell me if Mr. Lemmon was going to answ. my letter? Have not received it yet.





Mrs. S. M. Freeman,
45 Goodhar Building,
Memphis, Tenn.

Feb. 8, 1919.
Saturday

Dear Heart: —

Directly after writing yesterday's letter to you, I received your long letter of Wednesday. Precious, dear, you were not disappointed in my short answer when you have just called for my letter of to-day and found, lucky — your wonderful wonderful answer to my Monday's letter. Hurry, I shall answer both of them to-morrow with a big letter. I would gladly do so to-day but I am far from a letter writing mood. There is something in my throat, a lump which I cannot, somehow, swallow. My heart, honey, is as though of lead, and all I can possibly do is to cry — cry and cry! I miss you so terribly, honey, and knowing how much you miss

longing for me, it just tears me to pieces. I am miserable. The weather is worse than miserable. My head aches so that I can not understand the sympathy you deserve when you suffer from this torturing ailment. For this mood, dear, I do not write you a long letter, for what I write to you must cheer, not depress. To-morrow, Love Heart, I shall feel better, and you shall have a nice long letter. There is nothing alarmingly wrong with me. So don't worry, honey, am only lonesome for you and you very well know the hopeless miserable feeling that is. Am half tempted to tear this up — but hope you'll understand, simply don't worry. I shall be happy as a lark to-morrow, knowing that I shall soon be with you. The weather is certainly most miserable — wretched, — a constant flurry of wet snow with a black dreary sky. All of which is typical of my feelings.

To-morrow, too, honey, I shall write to your uncle. Am on duty to-morrow, and so will have plenty of time in which to write.

You remember Caroline Klein, don't you, honey? At least you know of her. Received a card from her saying she is in N.Y. on a visit. Am going to call her up and have her come up to see me. Am certainly anxious to see her. It is now, nine years since I saw her off, and almost missed you at the ferry. Remember that day?

After supper last night, Rose & I took a walk up to my mothers home. It was nice walking and I think the walk did us both good. Unless Sadie Englander came up and drags

Rose out, she sticks in the house all the time. I told her about your request for Aunt Mae helping herself to everything she has and she told me she would write to you about it. It's alright talking care of a wife, she says, but Heaven, where does a sister come on monday? Henry on the other hand, says that "Rose has done all they can do to take care of mom, so he says, he is going to tell you I must take care of myself." Some kid that. He showed me the new quarter you had sent him. He was more than delighted. Everything at home is going on as smoothly and smoothly. Mom is feeling better her rheumatism is quite better but she still pines over pop's death. Yesterday, however, she was in very good spirits.

Hoping, Honey, that you are still taking care of yourself, and that everything is going along nicely with you I'll close sending all my love and hopes to be with you soon. Your lonesome wife

Frances.





Joseph M. Freedman,

45 Goodhar Building,

Memphis, Tenn

Feb 9, 1919.

Sunday.

Dearest Hubby: —

To-day, I feel splendid as I told you yesterday, I would. I am indeed sorry that I wrote you yesterday as I did. I have just written a few words to your uncle, and now am ready for that big letter to my hunky love of a hubby. How are you precious? What have you been doing to-day? Have you been thinking of me and did you miss me? As you know, I am on duty to-day, but the work was very, very light — lighter than I have ever known it before. So you see I am really resting to-day.

Hunky love, I tell you that as a letter writer you exceed me by far. They are the direct opposite of what you think they are — they are full of love — love for me — full of longing for me and hopes to have me with you soon. Would you call that, precious "cut and dried business like?". If you do, hunky always, then be strictly business with me. Only.

dear, to not be quite so business like to your lady clients.
Dear Heart, your letter was as wonderful as you are. When
will I get another such letter? Soon, dear, make it soon.
What love you express in your letters, is all I get - and
lonely - I long and miss you so - that to read + reread your
letters is all that I can. Dear, you as you sit and
ponder and dream - just as you dream of loving + caring
for me - that is just how I, in my room, dream and
dream of you and I - always together. So very happy.
Always with your arms encircling me - always kissing
me. Dear, if there was not that to look forward to,
I don't believe I could exist. It is only that, which
makes all this confinement and work easy. Honey
I do not mind anything that goes on here - Even if I
do have to wait until May - because I realize that -
it is only a question of letting the time pass by -
and then! Dear Heart! Things will be so different.
With all this happiness before me, love, anything -
anything is possible, nothing is too hard + too difficult.
I only pray, dear, for the time to pass quickly, so that
I can be with you. Dear, will you always have such
wonderful, ideal, loving thoughts of me? Will you
always be so tender and sincere so loving and sympathetic?
Dear, I want you to, — I will always, always try to
somewhat deserve them by remaining ever faithful
and true. Always, dear will I seek to encourage
+ cheer - always to help. For trouble, which in life
we must expect, I will be there to cheer and encourage -
our joy it will be all the greater for true, it will mean
happiness for you - and to you it will mean because
I am happy. To make you famous, loved in your
practice, to make you happy in your home, that
is now my only desire. And, Love, when we are blessed

with a little angel - yours and mine - a darling tender beautiful innocent baby. - how love could I be anything but happy! Dear, why do you say you'll never be worthy of me? You know that isn't so, and that I can truthfully say that I shall be ever worthy of the most wonderful hubby there ever existed. Daily I am realizing that you are your fathers' son. (and love to perpetuate his name + this + your goodness. is why I ask of God to grant me a son. Dear, wouldn't you be supremely happy?

I got your message, also Lippman's letter. It certainly expressed his feelings. Mama is feeling much better and there is absolutely nothing to worry about. Rose + I, made her stay in bed although it was harder than ever + I think that is what riled her up. She still grieves over Papa - and lonely. dear, I simply can not blame her. Friday I spoke to her, and told her she must stop it - as she is killing Rose. Rose seems to be the only one who has any influence over her. and I say that Rose is suffering

because of her, acts like a charm. Rose has thought up a dandy scheme - don't mention a word about it - She is going to play off sick. That will give mom dear something else to think of. Of course, not sick enough to stay home - simply ailing. This, believe me, will do both wonders of good. Mom will see to it that Rose takes care of herself - and Rose, in return says, "well, if you take care of yourself, I'll do the same." We are going to get a tonic for mom - Rose has one which she does not take - and she will take it to make the other do so - and so everything will come out alright. Now, of course you will not go out, so I am going to have as many people come up, as possible. Send Rob, for instance - with the baby - that will give mom new thoughts.

What do you think precious?

Yes. Grandma told me he dreamed

Friday

of you last night. He told me, when I wrote to you to let you know. As I promised to do so — I'll tell you about it. You were down South & he was visiting you. You showed him a large old English Grandfather clock which you had just bought and was placed out in the hall. I talked very little with him and when I did talk to him it is simply about business. So this way everything is quiet & peaceful. Now that I am staying down the hospital. I like it much better. I go out several times a week — either to Ray's or your mother or my mother's home — and the rest of the week I am saved that long journey and more than that, the pushing & shoving. This used to kill me. It may be my imagination, but, dear, I feel much, much better, no pains or back aches etc, all of which I attribute to the brutal methods of travelling from Wilkes. There is no rush or push in the mornings or Evenings — and I have all conveniences here — So I am perfectly happy-long-as happy as I can be without you.

Last night I had Carrie come down to see me. She stayed with me until 11 P.M. and had so much to tell each other. Of course talked & talked of you. She told me to tell you that she for loved you — knows you must deserve it by & love you so. She is very, very sorry she can not see you. She will spend about 6 weeks here and even then she may not go back to Chicago. She is a very amusing girl — and I like her immensely. Her brother-in-law had a very interesting life while in Russia, where his still, his wife & 2 children ~~are~~ came back to America a few months ago. For about 6 yrs. they believed him dead, supposing him to have been murdered — but recently she heard he was still living.

I told Carrie never that life for me — it may be very thrilling & interesting — but my feet & I are for

peaceful life. Do you agree with me, precious.

What did you do with yourself 2 days, honey? Hope you were not very lonesome and sure do hope that you wrote me that long letter - that took full. Your uncle is indeed kind - and as to his offering us a wedding gift - well, how that is splendid. Mr. Logan is wonderful and you must tell him I send both his into my best regards and that I should like to hear from him. You have done wonderfully well this month and next, I SURELY hope will be even better - much much better - so that I can soon be with you.

I am sorry, dear, you feel so bitter towards Sadie and I certainly will not make reference to her again. I was very much surprised - for I hardly think you should feel so towards her. I was rather hurt when I read that part of your letter - for, she is, after all, my sister. However, I will refrain from writing about her hereafter, for I should not like to have you talk, or even think about her, but anyway it is the limit.

With all my love & my precious hubby, I'll close, with hopes that you spent an enjoyable day. Everbody is well. All my love & kisses Frances.





Joseph M. Freedman, Atty,

H.S. Goodman Building

Memphis Tenn.

Feb 10, 1914

Monday. —

Precious Honey Love: —

Received both your Friday letter and the magazine this morning. Have read the article you marked off honey, and think it very, very good. Have read through also the medicine paper, also.

Well, dear love I speaking from what you have told me of the Democratic family I suppose that is exactly what will happen although, dear, I sincerely hope not. How true it is, precious, that you can never apply again? I know that really happen honey, don't worry as it will not be because of your character that you are rejected or through any fault of yours - simply spite work. She's of course you can not help - so dear you see there is no sense of worrying over it. Perhaps after all precious it may be otherwise - I sincerely hope so. Must you wait the 30 days to know? If such

should be the case, why then you simply join the Elks, or Odd Fellows or any other that you may prefer.

But love dear, you must not get so blue over things. You will not accomplish anything - only become ill. Am happy Dr L. says the puffs under your eyes have disappeared - do take care of yourself precious. Head still aches? ask the doctor about it. Are you still keeping the windows open?

About the furniture, precious, I hardly know just what to say. You might write and ask Mama dear about the library set - I couldn't ask about it. That leaves only the kitchen which is unimportant and the bed room suit. I still feel lonely as things I should like to pick it out. Suppose you have the money ready, and when I come down it will only take a few days to get these things - and in the meanwhile we could manage somehow. Three rooms would be plenty for us in the beginning. If however, you insist on getting everything before I come, I will let you know exactly what I would like, if possible, in a bed room set, in the most latest. How much precious do you think we could spend all together? Let me know, honey, how you figure. The trunk sure does seem short when I talk furniture!! I hope love that things will pick up - for you - but love dear, do not become discouraged. "Remember" your stiff upper lip". Mine is still firm.

Why, when you write me just how you feel do you always end "with" it again, but don't blame me. I want you to tell me everything honey, just how you feel - blue, happy, discouraged or elated. You know I do. Should you tell these things if not to me?

dear, wish for. That you could lay your head in my lap and go to sleep. I'd stand and hold you oh! so tenderly – but don't discourage & love it won't be much longer. I'm the meantime while I keep up courage and try to be as happy as possible.

Went to Mary's yesterday evening we did not go to the show. That baby! Lord, you never saw anything like her! Pretty as a picture and as good as a little angel. Plays all day, with me, & Chuckles with delight all day. I do wish you could know her as she is now & you sure would be crazy about her. I gave her such a good bite for you and she never uttered a cry. She is now as pretty as she is good. Believe me, She is some pretty. Those blue eyes, love dear. She is wonderful. I don't know what I'll do when I come South. She is a darling baby – I have never seen one to equal her. She just keeps me coming up all the time to see her. Mary & Wendell send their love. With all my love & kisses to my precious, lastly who must not become lonesome. Catch Frances. I do love him terribly awful.

Yours Always
Will.

Mary sits up. She is now 5 mos. How time flies!





Joseph M. Freedman Atty

45 Goodwyn Building,

Memphis, Tenn.

Sept 1, 1919.
Lincoln's Birthday.

Precious Hankey Love: ——

As Fri. day is a holiday, I could not get your letter. There being only one mail. and yours always comes about 12.30 in the 2nd mail. I sure was disappointed but believe me I'll be all the happier Tuesday, for, I shall have two. Am still looking forward to the book full you promised me. Don't Keep me long, precious.

Dear Love, you should get 2 letters on Tuesday of each week. For you see I write every day, and as you know, no delivery on Sunday, makes it one letter each week day & on Tuesday 2. At least I get the 2 on Tuesday. Perhaps Wednesday is your big day. Let me know if this is not so - as I write you daily and want you to get them all, for I know precious how anxious I am for your letters. The part of my letter which you did not

understand & pleased the fact that I mailed the Mo. early Saturday figuring you would receive it on Monday. When you wrote and said Monday was a blue day I answered back that I was sorry that the Mo. did not reach you on Monday instead of Tuesday so that it may have cheered your blues. How do you "understand"?

I don't suppose the Southerners observe it today, do they? It looks very little like a holiday here - dreary and snowing a little. Strange, is it not, that snow for practically the first time last Saturday. Use your rubbers & umbrella & rain coat faithfully & everytime the weather is bad, hear, honey? As to my foot, it is OK. Bothers me very little and expect I can soon leave off the brace and wear low shoes.

Am certainly happy, honey bubby, that folks see and appreciate your signs. Things are surely going along nicely and only hope they continue so. Things are progressing peacefully and happily, here, too. Everything alright - beginning to know, intimately, more of the people here - so am less lonesome. Am beginning to like the place as I do not have to travel and rush and push as I wrote you before.

Carroline Klein is down now to see me again. She is going to spend the afternoon with me, and we will both go down to my mother's home for supper. Am on duty today, but have finished all the work. Some quick, what do you say?

Do you miss me very very much today, precious? What are you doing, I wonder? How I wish I were there with you for you to look and kiss and hug, and have you take me and in the

evening. Really precious, I have been out so little since you have left, practically no place at all. Am saving all my looks for you. Somehow I have no desire to go anywheres, without you, but love, when I am with you — ah —— believe me that will more compensate me. Will you keep me always, happy honey? Love, dear. I do wish I were with you.

Ho, honey, write me soon, that big, big letter. Give my regards to all and all my love, hugs & kisses — to —— when? I'll give you just one guess to whom. A niece's love to your aunts and uncle - did he get my letter? Strange, how, for, wrote I wrote to your uncle the same day. Ho, precious, take good care of yourself and love me all, all the time.

Everlovingly
Your Lucile





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Feb. 11, 1919.

Tuesday: —

Precious Kitty: —

Have read + reread your letter of Sat. until I must know it by heart. Dear heart, you certainly are a dear, loving, tender husband, and is it any wonder that I miss you? As to loving you precious, you know that my love for you steadily increases day by day and I am sure we shall always, always be happy — if only together. For the morning, just as soon as I open my eyes, my first thought is of you — and then I look forward so longingly for your letter. Frankly, I don't know just what I would do if I did not hear from you, at least, daily. During the day my thoughts are continually wandering to Memphis — a big city — but to only one in that big city dear. Evenings + nights are entirely yours — they are always spent with you. And so you see, dear, I am

continually living over again your life in our very own little world.

As to the furniture, precious, I realize just how you feel about it and love you all the more for it. Personally I would not mind coming down and if you were ready to buy - to pick out the things at once and then put things to right. I hardly think it would take much time - perhaps a day or so. I can see that you are anxious to do all this for me - to have a little home ready to take me to - and then I love you for it. I felt that a woman is usually more gifted to pick out pretty things - at least more so than a man, and since we are buying new things and our first things - that is why I am so anxious to chose them. I myself, have so much relish the thought of a furnished flat, but just suggested it as a temporary affair for a very short time - so that we could buy the things together. If, honey, you want to have them ready for me, I will try to describe to you what I should like to have you get if possible. Before I forget, precious, I'll leave it to you to prefer a little but good, sooner than a lot of stuff. For the bedroom if you are able to, I should like steel white enamel furniture called Ivory. This is like Sue's furniture, but have you heard alarmed, it is no more expensive than the other woods - less expensive than a great many, I have been looking at some here. I think a light wood makes the bedroom look so dainty, don't you? Get a full size bed - that is a unique one - I guess, honey that is what you once planned, isn't it? You can look around & write me, there is plenty of time as

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what you see.

Honey, dear, but is a problem that is bothering me. I find it almost impossible to steer any clothing at all - for the lack of time. I figure it will take me at least 2 weeks in which to see up the necessary things and have my teeth attended to, which you know dear I must positively have done. Now dear, if I leave April 1st. I shall have to spend the dump. 2 weeks home sewing. I should like to get that 2 weeks vacation which I am entitled to, but as vacations do not start before June. I don't know whether to work it. I have thought if I am to stay until May. I shall apply in April - the early part of it for my 2 weeks vacation in June or else or other. It kind of gets me sore to think I have worked hard all year round, and now I have to give the city my 2 weeks which will cost me about $35. to do your third I ought to do, precious? Let me know.

Shall close now, darling with all my love and my usual caution that you take good care of my precious hubby. With a good hug + a squeeze + a big bite from loving wife





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Feb 13, 1919.

Thursday: —

Dearest Love: —

On account of the holiday, I only received your darling Monday letter this morning. Expect after lunch I'll get your Tuesday's letter. Honey, it's always collecting the mail after a holiday or Sunday — but! oh! those mailless days are fierce, and I hate them, don't you?

Last night I spent at Mama's house. Had supper there — Carrie K. did not go home with me as she was anxious to get home before late — and you know what travelling it is from Brooklyn to the Bronx. In the evening Nell & I went to the Colonial (you know that picture show house on B'way). While there we heard a song written by M. Freedman and sung by Joe Donnelly. The title of the song was — "I'll make you happy again". The words were so appropriate that

just nestled down in my seat was was in dreamland, hearing you sing that song to me. The name struck me, too, of course, and through the entire performance I was only with you. When I am with you precious, you are going to make me happy again, aren't you? As for going out, honey, I simply have no desire. And in fact, I have neither the time nor anyone with whom to go. Nell is very busy making preparations as we expect to leave very shortly. Rose cannot go to any show - and all in all - dear - I am saving my good times to spend with you. When I do come down, honey, we will both make up for what we miss now. What do you say? I know, everything seems so colorless now, and it is only because you, with whom I desire most to be with, are not here. And so, Love dear do not fret about me. I am presently contented with things as they are now - for - before me ——— dear - I have so much to look forward to - so much! And that Rondy keeps me happy. Were it not for the fact that I am with you in Tennessee all day, in my thoughts, and were it not for the fact that I feel your nearness all the time - perhaps it is as you say, mental telepathy - I should be perfectly miserable. It is only when I am sharply brought to my senses, when I fully realize that I am only dreaming - that you are not with or near me - that I become helplessly miserable. But dear, I try to avoid this as much as possible and keep living in my own little world all the time, always with my precious hubby.

And now, Love that is all settled about the M.C. You are never to mention the money again only am I anxious to hear that you have become a member of the order. Then, Love, I should be happy. You know, dear, I want you to become famous, and I feel that

that would be a step towards it. I do hope precious Evelyn will be able to. Have you heard nothing more concerning it?

And dear, before I go any further, I must tell you, once you cuddle me in your arms. I shall never never let you stop — only perhaps warn you to stop stopping. no, love. I have been without you so long to ever feel that you can possibly make up what I have been denied. I only miss the time had already gone. I am ready to take a chance even if my rose is endangered. for, love, what do I need a rose for, lipsto kiss, eyes to see you, a heart to store my love for you, and arms to embrace you. so, you see dear, I am not at all afraid, for it worse comes to the worse, for you too, might be minus a rose - and I shall have yours, you see.

As for the Lugers, tell him Lovely. But I have washed, and washed, and washed my eyes until I have almost washed them out of their sockets - and still the same — only I see more plainly, what a wonderful, wonderful lucky I have. No doubt, dear, he has taken for granted that that light the photo shows is the slightest, but, assure him dear that it is only a trick of the camera. Give both the + his wife my best regards. am happy Lovely, your letter looks so richly - and only hope that I shall soon see it through my own eyes. Am very happy, too, love

Yes! Evelyn is coming to see me. Perhaps I can persuade her to stay with me. I do hope she will. I am looking forward to it with delight. I shall have a little room to myself. Yours being quite large.





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Feb. 14, 1919.
Friday.

Dearest, darling, Joe: —

Don't you know to-day, honey, is St Valentine's day? Looked all over for one from you, but, dear, I guess you don't love me anymore. Do, you? Received your Feb. letter at the usual time yesterday - 12 noon. To-day, I first called for your big, big fat one of Wednesday. Do you know what I did with it? I opened it up - looked at the size of it, and like a miser put it away to read last. I am so excited to read it now. Directly after I have written this. I calm down and then! —

Seems as though Friday is always a dreadful day. Rained all morning in buckets full. Am going down to the house to-day to see your mother and for supper. Mom dear is feeling fine now, honey, so don't you worry. Rose has been out for a walk Tuesday afternoon, Lincoln's Birthday. I know dear, at the time, how Mom was feeling, as I can look over every

chance I could, and Rose called me up daily. I was afraid you may become alarmed and think her more serious, & therefore I did not mention it in my letters. But as I say now, dear, she is alright. I should run up more, if I possibly could, but one night a week I spend at my mothers, Friday always with your folks, and the Sunday I am off. I do not spend either Sat or Sunday nights here. So you see, dear, I am working it as much as I dare. Now too, feel hurt that I do not come more often and even say I should give up my room, but you know dear, I wouldn't do that.

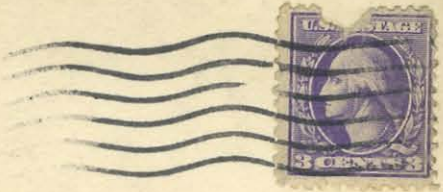
As for my illness honey, that was no doubt what was ailing me, to get homesick my dear dear for you. Surprisingly I did not suffer so much, physically as I usually do; but the general depression was same thing awful. The absence of pain, I attribute to my stopping down here; as I got all the possible rest I could, lying down instead of standing and being punched — trains and its effect was certainly noticeable. Now, dear heart, I am alright now. When I read that part of your letter, dear, I can hardly explain the feeling that came over me. Honey dear, that is just why I love you so, — so considerate, so kind & so gentle. I am sorry, honey, that I worried you so. But, dear girl I surely do love and miss you, so much. All day I am talking and listening to you.

I shall write you the big letter again on Sunday, so that you will get it Wednesday. And you precious continue to take care of yourself, and to go about in the evenings making friends. I am sure the money will soon begin to come in — and then, dear heart! — we will certainly be very, very happy.

Sometimes, also, look to this long & talk to me as you do, for I am sure it reaches me. I am always feeling your arms, and lips. And many, many times, I fancy that when I get home I'll find you there — so dears. To me do you seem. Love me all the time, precious, for I know, until my dying day, I shall always feel to you as I do now. I, too, am always dreaming of our little home; no matter, how, how simple it will be, we shall always be very, very happy in it, for it shall be our little home. Let me know dear if you suss anything in the way furniture is too expensive. We can get something else in that case.

I will close now, dear heart, to read your precious letter. Always I am so anxious to get it and then when it is read, I analyze it word by word, until I hear from you again. Well, love, I hope that will all soon pass and what we have to say to each other we will be able to say with a hug and a kiss. With all my love, to the most precious lucky in the world, I'll close ever, ever lovingly, Frank.





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Feb. 13, 1919
Saturday: —

Precious Sweetheart: —

Have just received your Wednesday letter; - your big letter, dear, was wonderful and I shall answer it in manner. You certainly were blue Wednesday, weren't you, love? Do hope, precious that you have entirely gotten over it by now, and dear, I certainly do wish that I were there to Console you.

As to Ben Lest - dear - why so surprised & disappointed? I am not surprised, and frankly speaking I am tickled to death that it only cost you $1- to find out what he is. Dear, I want you to promise me that you will never have anything to do with him. I never liked him and most positively hate him if it can be expressed by the word hate. When you, as he knew, were in service, unarmed besides, your hands bound so that you could

not earn a cent more than the Government allotted you, be being free, was at liberty to earn what he could. How can any man, take $ at a time like that, especially from one he called "friend". Honey he is nothing but a skunk and a rat, — for not only has he played a trick like that on you, but on many more. Perhaps because you were his friend he let you off with only $. And he preaches Zionism here, as long as I live and I ever have anything to do with that "gentleman" - not that I ever intended to, but since he was a fellow lawyer of yours I thought to extend him ordinary, civil courtesies. Ach mein liebling of that caliber disgusts me — especially he, when I think of his airs and flowery talk. Honey, for my sake, never have anything to do with him — not so much as an exchange of a word - and dear, if he should ever try his charm and smooth talk with you, I can assure you he shall regret it. I shall never forget or forgive what he has done — and shall never forget the type that he is. To take $ from his acknowledged best friend and then deliberately lie about it — love dear, he positively makes me sick — makes me so ill that I am going to stop right now - but dear, I mean every word that I said.

Why, honey, do you have to wait 3 months to become a notary Republic? Is that the time it requires? I am pleased that you applied for it, & do hope you get it, as it will mean a few dollars for you. Has your secretary thing about that man working to be taught English? Hope, dear, you get him; it may all mean a few dollars and here and there it will soon accumulate. And I am positive it will all come just as Mr. Ragan helps telling you. As to the missing books, well dear, I simply wish that you make it. Don't become blue or discouraged over it, and dear, I would you even feel just a little

"Hurry" you must tell me all about it; just as I write you sounds I feel that way.

Have the men taken the furniture to-morrow. I do hope that everything will go smoothly with you so that, at least I will be down the beginning of May. Do you think dear it will possibly be later than that! Let me know, precious,

I am enclosing the slip that came to your mother's home this morning. Am happy to say that mama is her old self again around and happier than I have seen her for some time. What she needs is company — Ethel came out to go up & talk to her & so give her other things to think about — or else to get out a bit more. But, dear, she is certainly improving — and as time is the best healer I hope she will feel much better

well, honey, you can expect a big letter to-morrow, and must say that lookful is a long, long time coming. I think I shall have to keep you waiting a long time, too. Shall I? Write at once. With all all my love and kiss to my precious baby — I'll close now & write





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Feb. 16, 1919

Sunday: —

Precious Hanky: —

Here I am already for that big letter to you. When I sealed yesterday's letter, I couldn't help smiling as the slips that I enclosed made it appear like a big, fat letter, and I thought to myself, here is where I fool Joey. Kiss D.

I am on duty to-day so that I can have next Sunday off. Saturday, as you know, is a holiday and in that way, I shall be off Sat. & Sunday. I do so want to accomplish some sewing, and hope to then. The work here is very light on Sunday, now. (Here it is 10.14 A.M. and I am all through. were it not for the fact, that I do not expect to be here much longer, I should fight to be relieved of Sunday work. I know I could win out, too, for besides the work being light, we are no longer connected with the Bellevue drug store, as I already wrote you. It is ridiculous for me to come on — as we are entirely severed now; just as ridiculous as it would be to call the pharmacist from Harlem or any other hospital - so little connection is there now to the two drug stores. You see, dear, I wrote you Tuesday, but as yet have not received your answer. I want to

work in my vacation and I do not want the kids to be too coaffie.
consult the doctor Monday, otherwise I should paint the
paint. Don't you think it a good idea to secure that vacation?
It will only mean, precious, 2 weeks now at the most, and
I will tell you why. I cannot possibly start out April 1st. as
it will take me 3 weeks, at the very least in which to get
things ready. That will bring it up to the middle of April
which would be the Earliest possible time in which I could start.
Now, honey, I figured to get that time as my vacation, get
my things ready, finish the month here, it will only be
2 more weeks, and then I would have my months salary
which, love dear, I can use to good advantage. I see
no reason why I should let that vacation slip by - as
love dear, I sure have worked hard for it and deserve it. Darn
my vacation, too, I could have my teeth attended to, that
do you think of this plan, dear, and tell me, honey, if you
think it can possibly be after May 1st. that I am to come
down. You will be ready, then, for me, won't you, honey?
I figure that even if things are just so for both of us now
this would be the best plan. What do you say, Love dear?
Does this suit you? I am sure I shall be with you in
May, won't I? It is hard to add more time before I can
be with you, yet, love, I see no other solution. Can you
think of any other plan, dear? Yes, yes I see it, it will
only be a matter of 2 weeks more.

For a while it seemed as though there would be
a vacancy in the Hosp. drug Store - one of the men figured
on leaving for a better position. This job in the Hosp. drug
Store pays $12.50 a month more than mine. I am desperate
when it comes to making more money, as dear, I want
to get as much as I can, in order to get what I need. I
had decided with myself to get that job as soon as it
was vacant, for "21" in 4 months is nothing to stick your
nose up at. The hours are much longer as you know
8 to one night, alternating, with 8 to 8 next day - But
the work is much, much lighter. But, however, there
was no vacancy and so I had to stay just where I am.
Perhaps, after all it is best, as the hours are long, and
I am used to my dear job, as hard as it is.

Since I have written so far "nothing but "Shop talk" I'll finish all that I wanted to say, concerning business, and so hope that all doubt are settled. As for Carrie She does not want my job. It is too hard for her. I have however placed her in a job over on the island. You know, on Blackwells Island. The work is very light there but the salary is only "6$" per month and the maintenance attached to it is nothing to speak of. Food is bad, the Environments are bad and all in all She is not very pleased with it and of course I do not blame her for it. She will stay there until something better turns up. There are several vacancies now in various private hospitals and I am trying to have her connect on to one of these. I have written to Ada telling her of these various vacancies, and asked the following ans. "you are a dear. A long letter will follow & explain everything". This was on the 7th and so far have heard nothing more from her. Evedently She doesn't care to come to N.Y. - or if She does, that is rather a foolish way to write. So I am at a loss as what She expects to do but will most certainly notify her before I leave as I would like to see her in my job. It may be a little hard for her, but She will have a nice place in which to stay, everything taken Good care of and perhaps the Sunday work will be cut out, as I am sure to come to and together with my increase I do not see why anyone should have a Rich Comm; & Blood sweat

(2) than that for 4 years. more conditions and less money.

So much for positions, jobs, vacation, relief etc. I am so happy, love because, somehow I feel as though that time to be with you is so near. Not that it is — but, dear, perhaps it's the furniture talk and vacation talk that makes me feel so. I can't realize that it may be a matter of 7½ months more. So it can't seem soon — & yet, & yet, soon. I hope it really will be. Your letters simply make me long for you, and I know, dear, that you will always, always love me and take care of me — gently, and tenderly. We shall always be together and happy, no matter what can ever part us — that we are at least together. Dear heart, you surely know how much I love you and long for you. I do miss you terribly. I love you, dear, for what I know you to be and no matter how you try to belittle yourself, or however you come to describe yourself, dear, I know just what you are, and love you — love you intensely. However, dear, I do not like you to write as you do about yourself, — for it is not so. You are my kind, loving, gentle, considerate husband, a husband that Saint day will become famous. You are my dear husband that I love and

will love forever - and you are the husband that will take the best of care of his lonesome little Frances just as soon as God helps him too - take care of me kindly, gently and carefully always. I do so wish dear, that our first baby as a boy - perhaps because as he grows older he would be like you and perhaps became interest in him. I can see the last few days of Mrs. Theodore Drange, when Carrie first spoke to me over the phone. She asked me if I had a baby - Someone had told her I had - evidently they compared me with Sue - and it was a sorry "no" that I answered her with. Frances, dear, no matter what the sex is our baby will be welcome and we shall be happy, but dear I always dream of a boy - a darling little baby boy - fair like me in character and description like yours and your Dad. Dear you may not know it but I am sure you will prove the same ideal husband. I often speak to Father Mather about it - and I am sure that it is so. You shall see, dear, how happy we shall be because of that. How is any wonder that I loved you as I did & not only I but everyone.

As to the furniture, Cora, I think you are right. It must be rather a nice, neat little set for $99 and we can pay it off. It can helps us, and your practice embarrassed we can get something better, and in the meanwhile have the joy and comfort of our own little home. Besides a large bed I can't think of a thing to tell you. I guess the other 2 pieces are a dresser and a chiffonier. Don't dear, get a chiffonier for your things but get a chiffrobe you know the kind I mean, high, and with the doors that pull out. I should prefer the ivory as that would make a dainty appearing room - I love light furniture in the bedroom. As to my spread, which by the way, makes a funny husband, you never inquired after it will look pretty on such lights, pretty, dainty furniture. The kitchen requires very few things, and I am going to try and save a few extra dollars to have on which to expend on linens and etc. As you know, love, I have nothing of that sort, & there will be dishes, bed and table linen towels & etc. which I will immediately have to buy. I figure $5 in cash will cover it, as I don't

think it practical to buy it here and have it — the weight of my trunk going down. It could be arranged easy matter to take care of when I am there. What do you think? Go to the library set, I have you written to mom about it? I have said nothing about it, but mom says as soon as Zweiden leaves they all move into four rooms so that the Expense and work will be lessened.

Go to mom dear. I must tell you that she is certainly feeling splendid. She asked me Friday to mention her love to you + to tell you Everything was alright that you should not worry and that you should take care of yourself. Aunt + Bertha, too, asked me to especially send you their regards. I have not as yet received Uncle Morris's letter but expect to tomorrow (Monday). Give him my best wishes + regards also my thanks for his taking such a keen interest — both of us. I do not know what Rose wrote you or not about the gold memorial plate they had made for Pop. It is certainly magnificent. A heavy gold plate encased in a frame. It is quite the prettiest thing I have ever seen — it happened to come while mom was ill, so we decided to put it away. Mom however, found it, and just like her, was very angry that we did that. She feels differently about it now

Rose is getting along nicely. I wish you could see how wonderfully she is progressing with her typ. & I long to get up speed and learn her typeing. She gets in the office an hour earlier and certainly accomplishes a lot. She went with Lippman & Gerlach & bought fur & I do hope she got something nice. Mr. Lippman promised to go with me to these large houses when I am ready to get a suit. I want to get a real nice one in which to travel south to see my hubby. It will be less nuisance than to have one made, and it will not cost me any more.

On Friday, I went straight to my mains house & as Mom asked me to, took over to your mother some of the most delicious home made sour kraut - from Cincinnati Liberty cabbage. Mom also got a barrel of apples, so I carried over as much of both as I could carry. Your mother was delighted. Mom wants me to take some more over when I go again. After supper Rose & I went to Sadie's home, took a walk, but then Eather was miserable, raining every once - a while.

Well, dear, Nellie is leaving on March 1st. which falls on Saturday. Yep! She is leaving for Atlanta. I guess that they will get a furnished apartment for the time being. Naturally Nell is quite busy - and

believe me, I envy her. Before long, I hope, too that I shall be talking of nothing else but packing, and saving, & asking for railroad tickets. I am sure does feel badly - and keeps telling me that I shouldn't leave before May. It must be terrible to mom to see 2 of her daughters slip away and not know when she will be able to see them. For that reason I am going to spend my two weeks vacation at Mama's house. That is the only sadness that crops up when I think of my trip South. I know I shall miss my parents dreadfully; but once I am there I am going to try & persuade them to come down. I hardly know whether I shall succeed or not - as the fare is so big.

Say, I almost forgot to tell you the most the very most important thing. I forgot it yesterday, too. What do you think happened? The government sent me another check for $24 this time, for the period of January. Perhaps they are going to pay the rest 3 or 6 months pay after discharge. However, I am not asking any questions, but am going to cash it and buy some material for dresses. I do not know whether you or mother got any thing as my mother called me up yesterday. Believe me, honey, I was tickled to death. Can't understand it though can you - And am not much worried over it either. Let me tell you it couldn't have come in a more opportune time.

And I almost forgot, too, dear, to admire your new stationery. It is very neat and pretty, but I do think the paper I gave you is better. don't you think so too? I only hope that the paper will keep you in lots of money.

I did go to that entertainment in the Navy. It was alright as far as things goes - but I didn't enjoy myself to an alarming degree. It was because, I suppose, that I missed you. After the entertainment we had cream - I had 3 bricks - cake and lemonade. Then came the dance. I had one waltz with one of the girls. Honey, how I wished I could be dancing with you.

Keep on, honey, taking good care of yourself also of thinking, hugging and loving me - even if it

is only my picture. Soon-dear-Soon —.
Get out as much as you can. I am feeling simply splendid as far as health is concerned. I left off the brace from the foot you ask so much for — left it off all day yesterday. It was alright - to-day I have it on again and so I will get used to going without it gradually. I will be coming down to you yet, in pretty slippers or oxfords, see if I don't.

Now to-day is Sunday, it is you don't write me that promised book-like I am going to be real, genuine angry. I don't know what all this nuthink will entered you but, honey I have done the best I can. Hope dear, that business will pick up big for you - cause I want to be with you by May. I will, won't I, love? My regards to Mr. & Mrs. Sagan, & Mr. Salomon. And all my best love, hugs, kisses and thoughts to my precious, darling hubby whom I love with all my heart. Does he love me?

Lovingly
Your little toots.

P.S. Honey. I will maybe write you big letter by next week as Monday instead of Sunday.



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Feb 17, 1919
Monday

Love, Dear: —

Just received your answer to my Tuesday's letter, which you ans. on Friday. Love, the very fact that you say you were happy has made me so happy this morning. Everything seems so rosy this morning and I hope it will continue so. I am actually afraid to breathe for fear I shall break the charm.

And about that fellow you are teasing! Love, I am so happy! I, too, only wish you were with me, and then my happiness would be complete. The dears and everyone are so nice to you — I am just glad — loves to meet them all.

Yesterday, after I got through at the Hosp. I took a run home and bought up some pretty material for a few dresses. I used that check that I spoke to you about. Love, it makes me all excited

when I get these things - it makes me feel just as I did when I picked out my wedding clothes. Happy! All because I see preparations are started toward my trip and towards my being with you. All last night I dreamt of how I was going to make them, and how they would look, and wondered if they would turn out nicely - if you would like them and a hundred other things. As soon as I come down, I want to meet all these people that you write of — the Leamans, Mr + Mrs. Lazarus, your uncle, Mr. + Mrs. Gould — Mr. Solomon — everybody! — and I want to look nice so that you will not feel ashamed of me. — And —— so that you will say that I look pretty and love me. Just the getting of the material and your wonderful letter has made me wonderfully happy. There is a lot of hard work before me — the sewing — but dear, it all means you at the end —

Isn't it strange that, I, too, should picture the same sort of furniture for our future little home? It will indeed be pretty and I am wishing to be there to fix up everything. Great minds run in the same channell — "Heaven"! how conceited I am getting! And who, dear, is going to greet you when you come home at night, who, love is going to kiss and hug you? And Linda is going to be very, very happy! Don't the time seem real short to you, too?

Love, of course I shall come whenever you are ready for me! My teeth, dear, I must manage to have done here. The filling in the front tooth is half and and looks badly. Besides, love, I figured that in with my expenses and don't want you to worry about it. I am trying to get as much as I possibly can as far as clothes are concerned, so that for

some time, anyway, & shan't have to trouble about getting things to wear, this will keep our expenses down a little - as I sure am going to be economical in the beginning - at least as far as clothes and such things are concerned.

Nell is in a frantic rush, getting her things together. In less than a short weeks she shall be off. & we may, I hope to be travelling Southward too.

Dear, don't I know that every word you write, is written with sincerity? As to how much you love me, I am going to make you prove that to me when I come down. Oh dear — when will it be? The old feeling of lonesomeness and longing is coming back - but, I am still keeping my stiff upper lip. To-day I am happier than I have been in some time. I do so love you precious love you more than I could ever put down on paper - love you with a love which is indescribable. Keep on being happy, precious and take good good care of my precious hubby. Your everloving Toots.





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Feb. 18, 1919
Tuesday.

Precious Hubby: —

Received two letters yesterday - four Fridays + Saturdays'. Have just received to-day your wonderful letter of Sunday which I will answer to-morrow. Expect for just this, dear, I can not account for that most awful feeling that has come over you. In one of my previous letters, you remember, too, that you felt that I was disappointed and I wanted them to write you that you are entirely without cause making yourself miserably blue. Honey, dear, your letter worries me. You started so happy and suddenly like a that become moody. Dear, please don't allow this to get a grip on you. It worries me greatly and dear I assure you there is absolutely no reason. Disappointed? Why, love, I am as happy as a lark! Happy, dear, no matter what I should ever have to go through, - happy that you are my husband. Dear, you have no idea how wonderful you are - you how much I realize your goodness and wonderful qualities.

how much I love you. Why, dear, should I be disappointed? We are seperated — but we know that it cannot be a matter of a few months. So far a little more than a month has past and you have done wonders — overpassed all my expectations. Yourself really & the confidence you have gained with many people. Can I be disappointed there? Why, of course not! As an M.D., dear, in every way I am disappointed in as much as a man that you have written me; dear, sweetheart believe me I am far, far from disappointed in you. I am only realizing what good, wonderful, sincere, and kind you are. Dear, I will admit that you have increased a thousand fold in my love — each day I see you more clearly as you really are. You are every bit your father's son and time will prove to you how your kindness and goodness will not go by unappreciated. Dear, heart, I must ask you again, what possible cause do you think I could have for disappointment? As to my job — there is positively nothing here to discourage me. I am receiving more money and taking advantage of everything. And then, too, dear always remember my promise to you, if ever things should become unbearable here, I'll quit immediately and come directly to you. I am extremely sorry, dear, I did not go with you right in the beginning and get something to do down there. And honey, I am going to tell you right now, if you do not stop getting miserably blue over nothing, I shall come down in spite of everything. I am, dear, extremely happy, believe me, honey, when I say so. There is only one sadness in that is that we must be seperated. But dear I look forward so to the time, our being together. And it does seem so weird. Why, honey don't you do the same? Remember, you have so much to be happy about. Your success — for you surely have done wonders in that short time — the goodness & kindness of the people about you — dear, my love — my sincere, intense, pure and everlasting love — all yours dear, — and our soon, very, very soon reunion. I can understand your feeling dear, for I know just how I miss you; but dear, my lip is as firm and as stiff as can be. We said 3 months — did it us? — well if my prayers and I am not with you, then, only then will my lip drop. And dear, see things as I do, and thank God that

things have come to pass as well as they have. and they, dear, be happy. You must try and not worry, dear - and please, honey, don't get despondent. Always remember how much I love you and dream as I do, how happy we are soon going to be. Let me know lovey, daily just how you feel - and please, please dear try to be as cheerful as I am. You must admit, that things are going along wonderfully well. Do you remember the time when things were so black and I said, if ever the war ends & you go back to practice, I shall be extremely happy. At that time it seemed far ahead of us. Yet we were happy because we looked forward to what is now taking place. I shall never forget what we went through so, why, when the goal we have always looked forward to, is almost in our grasp, should either of us become discouraged? The short time will pass quickly for me, — for I am beginning preparations - and that makes time appear short - and dear it will pass quickly for you, too, for you are going to look around in your leisure time, when you are not looking up business acquaintances, for a flat and furniture. So dear, it will seem to pass quickly & happily

I only look upon this time of our separation as a period of preparation, for each of us for divine happiness which will last forever. So trust to you that I am not merely writing to you that I am extremely happy because of your letter to-day, you will remember I wrote the same yesterday. So don't become discouraged or blue, honey, don't for my sake. That will only lead to your being ill and indirectly to our being separated all the longer. You don't want that, do you precious? I know you don't any more than I do – and Lord knows how little I want it. Do you feel happier now, my precious lucky?

So, dear, you are holding me strictly responsible for your property. Well, dear, marriage works both ways, so I, too, hold you in strict responsibility for my most treasured property – that is you. Do you get me, Kiddo? I could just see you saying all this to me. Especially, "Tough, that's me all over."

Dear, heart, I have written this thing piecemeal – one, two, or 3 words at a time,

and then have to jump up to the window. So dear I can not write as much to you in this letter as I should like to. It is no H. Ass so you see I have 15 minutes more before the 5 o'clock mail.

As to the furniture I think I prefer the Ivory. I like it better, now, than the walnut. I think it is much prettier and daintier. Get that lovely, if you possibly can. It sure will look pretty. Now when I embroider on my spread, I think of how it is going to look in our bed-room. Oh! Lord! we sure are going to be wonderfully happy, & dear it shall more than compensate for all that we are giving up now. I shall always try to make you happy & comfortable — and you dear, will always think of me, of my comfort and happiness, won't you love?

The time, dear, is growing short, so dear I must close. Must tell you, however, I have not as yet received either your pencils or Mr. Regard's. Have they never been sent? You see, Ada, too, promised me a big letter which I never got, & sometimes I think the trouble must be with the Hart. post office. They do, very often mislay mail. Not yours dear, as I am always there when the mail comes in, it is had enough waiting that long. Do you see your letter does not get much of an opportunity to get lost.

Give everyone in whom I am interested down in Memphis my regards. And to you, most precious hubby, I send all my cheerful thoughts

to cure your melancholy blues. You must
dear, try to live them down. Also, dear,
all my love, which, by the way is some
bunch, and all my hugs + kisses. Do
precious take care of yourself. Oh! Oops
remember that my thoughts are ever of
you. and remember, for how much I
love you - and think how near the
time is for our blissful happiness -
I'll just catch one minute to say the
envelope is already addressed and waiting.
So long, dear, I'll say bye-bye.
With all my love
Your happy wife
Frances.





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Feb. 19, 1919

Wednesday. —

Dearest Hubby: —

Have just called for your Monday's letter and received two, your usual "worries" letter. Tell Uncle I thank him and that I shall answer soon. Last night dear I spent thinking entirely of you, of your letter, the end of which I read time and time again. Dear it worried me greatly and it took a long time before I finally fell asleep. Try dear and do not become so blue. will you? To-day's letter is more cheerful and it somewhat relieves me.

I am going to take a run up to Kay's to-night. I have not seen her for quite some time and that Baby Laney —— I simply must see her. I will give her a big kiss for you.

Love dear, I was only jesting about that valentine. I know you love me, know just how much you love me, too and you dear, are my valentine. When I am with you,

and only then, will I have the valentine of my heart the one I long for so. dear, I often wonder if we are the only ones so divinely happy. I always fancied that when people marry they should be happy, yet so often do I see marriage work the direct opposite. There has been only one sadness in our love - and that is this separation and that I hope precious will soon be at an end. Very often I wonder if I really and really deserve such a good husband, and if all this happiness should by rights be mine; for even dear, if we are separated, I am thankfully happy in that you are mine. Such men as you, honey are rare. So few are so clean so upright and yet so good and devoted. Loving as long as I live I will always continue to love you, adding each day to its already large store. Always cherish and honor you as I promised when we were married for dear, I know you shall always be worthy of it and always look up to your vow. And dear heart, once this time of waiting for each other slips by — at last — will we be happy!

I dear am taking care of myself, and you do, honey, likewise. My cold — it is so small that I hardly know it is there. And when my period of illness comes along, I shall rest as much as possible. Sometimes dear, I do not enjoy taking care of myself while you are not here but look, dear, for your sake, I'll promise you that I will. Dear, make me that promise, too, will you?

I was delighted, honey, in the attitude of the people yesterday towards you. It is exactly what your character calls for, and it is only what I have always expected. You shall yet, dear live to see yourself as a big successful lawyer. I think this Bonded Lawyer Assoc. is a fine thing and dear as soon as you get the information, became a subscriber.

As to uncle, dear take things as they come. He, in his way, is doing all he can for you. The Y.M.C.A. will save you a few pennies, for such things as baths, and dear, when next I come down you know things will

be quite different. Simply dear as I am, making the best of everything and simply allow the time to slip by leaving the least possible pain. The time will soon pass, it only seems now as though it will never come.

I wrote you yesterday, love, about the furniture. The very fact that it is our home will make it pretty. We do not need it elaborate now, - that will come in its due time. Begin small and build up. There is so much pleasure in watching it build. Get the ivory, dear, and its hand it. look pretty.

Dear, I will answer your kind letter more fully on Monday, when I shall again write you a big, fat letter. During the week I am hard pressed for time as I write directly I come back from lunch, often I get your letter. So you see, dear, it is jump, jump up between words. My last visit was to spend week-ends with Mr + Mrs. Lazarus, also to the Misses and Mr. Solomon. My deepest and sincerest love and kisses to the most precious hubby in all the world who is you.

Lovingly
your little wifie





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Feb. 20, 1919.

Wilkes N. Y.

Thursday. —

Dear Love: —

Received no letter to day when I called over - and I can hardly describe to you my disappointment. Quite regularly it has been coming in the mail & I could not believe the Gentlemen when he told me there was not in the batch. I hope to get it on the next mail; but dear, they do mail it about the 2nd. think each day, still you? And honey, never in order to write a long letter, just after collection, as you thought of doing Sunday, as it is sad enough to get only a few words but heavens! it is certainly a trial to me when you get nothing at all.

Well honey, I went over to Ray's last night. They were, of course all askin about you - not that anyone has to ask me to talk about you — oh no, indeed!

they were pleased I knew you are getting on so nicely. I send them best regards. Helen is a dear. I hit her on the cheek and she took it like a good sport. I stood at me with her big eyes and then up went her hands and out went the feet and she was all smiles. You would think she was swimming to see her work her hands and feet. While there Ray bathe her. Honey, I just wish you could have seen her, then! We sat her up in the tub and with her tiny little hands she grasped hold of the edge of the basin to hold herself up. Honestly I never saw a baby so pretty and clever. She is so good now, too. I'll take a run up next week again.

Well, dear, I do wish I had your letter! I am so anxious to know how you are feeling, what you are doing, and — if you still love me. Perhaps dear, that is why I didn't receive any mail — you don't love me anymore. Write dear, and tell me just how much you do. For that makes me extremely happy.

Yesterday while going over to Ray's I passed a flowers shop. Into it went I and bought some flowers — and I thought to myself — Flowers + wednesday night — that in itself told its story — and over me — only for a second, dear, I soon braced up — came the most lonely and longing feeling. The evening was so ideal as to weather conditions, that it seemed to me, that there were nothing but happy couples out for strolls. And, dear, that is just what we should have been doing, were we only together. But, hon, all that will soon come,

count it? I thought of that, and was very, very happy to know it was in store for us — soon.

In your uncle's letter he mentions a Mr. Mc Cunny. Whose baby is it here? I have never heard him mentioned or talked of before.

To-morrow is Friday, & I shall take a run up to your mother's house. Saturday is a holiday and Sunday I am off. Wishing to do myself to-morrow — fast — I am

quick.

I shall close previous with all my love hugs & kisses, and with expectations to hear from you later. If I don't! —— well, I can't think of any terrible enough now — but anyway you had better take care. "Desperate"! Shall we all ever, for Take good care of yourself, precious.

Everlovingly but a little worried,

Frances.





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Feb. 21, 1919.
Friday:

Precious Honey Love: ——

I shall never be able to tell you how worried I was yesterday because I did not get a letter. This is very unusual, and I went over four times - each time receiving the same answer — "Nothing for you, Mrs. Freedman". All day I had hopes of course that it would be in the next mail, but when he said "no" at 5 P.M. my dear my heart sunk. I spent a miserable evening worrying and fearing some thing was wrong: I noticed the post mark was 7 P.M. and now understand it must have missed the mail as your letters are usually at your Home 5 P.M. Just the letter first thing this morning. And now, Love, unless you want me to be very angry with you - you had better not miss the collection again.

Well, honey, after the lecture I'll proceed. If I'll fooled you with my Saturday letter, making it appear fat,

you sure did the same by inclosing Mr. Lazaar's letter. When I picked it up, I thought that was the reason of its being late. Tell Mr. Lazaar I thank him, and will answer it pretty soon.

No, dear, you can have no fear of me mentioning B.-Lee. Let's simply forget him; that's about all he is worth. I say very little about him to either Jim or Rose as what's the use? —.

I am happy that you got over the blues. It sure worried me greatly. Try dear, to overcome it, and always remember, honey, how much I love you. Perhaps that may help — and if my letters cure you, I shall try to make them as cheerful as possible.

We'll run up to Mona's to-night as usual for supper. Regular Friday weather, it's snowing, instead of raining to-day. Just my luck as I am off to-morrow + Sunday. We'll give Mona your message.

Honey, dear, I'll not wait any longer than the beginning of May. If by that time things are not as you'd expect I'll be down anyway. May is the longest I'll be away and you understand? Am anxious to hear the good news you promised me, and hope to get your Wednesday letter this afternoon.

As to my bed spread, am working like a busy bee on it. Have a lot done, but it is not finished yet. Some work on it, believe me! That is how I spend my evenings down here. Were it not for that I should never know

get it done.

Hope love that you do become Notary Republic. As to the reason, you wrote in one of my letters that the Notary promised to help you - so perhaps they won't, after all, delay you much. I hope not, anyway, love, for I should certainly love to see my hubby as much.

Shall close now, love, with all my love, hugs, and kiss to my darling hubby. Heard nice the maid anymore previous - hear. Try my regard to all.

Your everloving wifie
Frances.

Take good care of yourself - and get out as much as you can. Have you seen the Gaudy yet?

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Sat. Feb 22, 1919

Precious Honey Love: —

This is going to be a short letter as I have been sewing all day. Accomplished a little & hope by to-morrow to have finished a dress.

I slept one night at Mom's home. We had some fun last night between Rose, Mom dear & I. Everybody was happy Mom is feeling her old self again, and believe me that is why we love to be happy You said you are happy that mom dear — I get along so nicely, but honey, who could be otherwise with you Sweetie?

I am oh so happy dear about those cars and do I hope I. Taylor turns the position over to you by the first of April? Oh no! Honey I know that thing will go smoothly now for both of us.

Dear & happy dear to get your

big letter yesterday, which look I shall answer with a nice big one Saturday. Do not mind these short letters dear. You can believe me when I say I do not stop a minute as I can help to get everything possible done. You must understand precious, it because I do not want to lose anything coming down to you. Want, look dear, I do not blame, dear? As soon as I finish writing to you, look, back to the machine I go.

Talk about being happy! You can't imagine how much I really am. It may seem so near to me — and then, dear!! — I could not sleep last night, thinking over about my trip. We went to bed rather late — and about 6.30 a.m. I was up and couldn't close an eye anymore. So I just laid and thought of you. I could see myself at the Station

meeting you — and hark! did I kiss you! All last night I was talking to Mama about my going for. Mama was as happy and elated as I am.

Two weeks from to-day Faige is going to be married. I am going to get a gift for her together with Mama so that it will not stand either of us so much.

Dear dear, I have that check for 12½. What shall I do with it? You mama says I should cash it. What do you say? It would come in very handy and my mother says if I should decide to do so she will cash it, and take the responsibility of it, saying that I told her to use any check which may come, and she of course did not know I could use it. I am glad you received an answer from the Congress. What do you say to it. I mean as a thing that is due you.

(turn).

I wish, love, I was the Father-in-law. Take the best of care of my darling precious daughter. Love you, love you, and love and adore you and want to love you ever, ever so much.

With all my love and kisses

your adoring wife

Frances.

Well, dearest, here is the start of the letter, but, dear, you understand don't you. I am very tired now, but I want to do a bit yet before I go to bed. To-morrow Sunday. I shall be at Regent's to-morrow for the wicked, eh — but you? I am so happy as happy, as can be about those cards and have told everyone how precious lucky I am to have you. I'm getting D'Arcy and Mrs Gaskell do you say? Mrs Gaskell asked me to send her love — Rena + Martha also.

Regards.

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Feb. 23, 1919.

Sunday.

Precious Hank Love—

Am fearfully tired, have finished (almost) one dress and have started another. Maybe my back does not ache me! I mean sewing all day — even putting a few stitches. Received your letter fearfully. Tomorrow I get down. I suppose I shall find two for me. I had written you a real long letter Tuesday, but as soon as it is I can possibly do so. I have received your letter the past 2 nights. It was on the clock last night before I retired. This morning Nell & I had been sewing and about 12 we decided to go to bed when all of a sudden she discovered one of the stones missing from her ring. We searched every inch of the floor and no results and finally

I looked among the things she was in and then found it. At 6:2 I arose and read by the light of the [illegible] and [illegible].

I [illegible] I could write as I am so [illegible] I can hardly [illegible].

Do love, dear, I will close with all my love, tender thoughts and all my best wishes. Forgive the length of the letter. I shall try to do better to-morrow. Guess I shall go to bed soon. Good-bye, dear, here is your good night kiss, pleasant dreams, and God bless you, by-by dear heart.

Ever lovingly

Your very true wife

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Dearest Hubby-in-All the World:—

Somehow, lost, I have a vague feeling that my letters to you, last week, were very short and for that reason you may be disappointed. It's as though I have not written to you just how much I love you, but, honey love, as I told you I have been dreadfully busy sewing. I shall precious try to make it up with this letter.

On Friday I looked around at some furniture boy but could see nothing at that price. I spoke to mom-dear about it and the two thought it best to wait until I came down. I shall leave it entirely to which ever you decide, for in either case I shall be satisfied. To me it only matters my going down. This is as mom suggests. That you should have the room picked out and rented, and if you care to, have the furniture chosen and they can decide at the same time by that I come down if I like it. Mom says that it is best to spend maybe $50 or so to get something that will wear. Mom also told me to write you that since Uncle Morris promised you the bed, and that should you decide to get the thing before I come to have him go with you and make him fulfill his promise. I told mom that you would take care of that but mom insisted that I write you about it. Mom also said that $6 is too much for a dinner set and suggest that you leave that to me. I, too, think it best, but can for the time being get a few cups, saucers, & plates, and then when an opportunity comes & buy cheap, we can do so. Then too, love, we would never in the wide world use 100 pieces. Not unless we gave a party — and that of course will come when we can afford it. Do you see, dear, perhaps it is best — that we can use to better advantage. As to the chiffonier honey see if you can't get a chifferole instead — would certainly much prefer it and it will besides looking prettier, it will be more practical as you will have more room for your things. This does not

in place of the dresser but instead of the man's old fashioned chiffonier I know just how happy you feel when you look up the adds for it does make it seem so near. I said nothing about the library set, leaving that to you.

Honey, I received 2 letters this morning, because Saturday was a holiday. They were wonderful and I just love to get and read them. I can always feel you honey, after I have read them. I do, love, care for you so much and shall be very, very happy when once we are together.

Sweet, as I wrote you all day Sat. & Sunday. I made a pretty blue dress, it looks wonderful until I put it on, then it makes look so fat. Rose called me up and I told her about it — and what do you suppose she said, "that's alright you can afford to look that way." meaning that I was so slim I can stand a little extra fullness. Talk about sarcasm! It's terrible what I have to put up with now that you are not here. But never mind — it can't last much longer, can it precious?

About clothes, honey, you don't have to worry concerning the money. I shall have plenty — and for the dentist, too. So don't worry. Thanks, love, dear for the offer, you are a bon enfant. And love dear, you can rest assured that you shall never have to sacrifice the shirt off your back for me. What you have, I shall have, and what I have you too, shall have. Always we will work hand in hand and do for each other all that is possible. When you can give me luxuries I know I'll never have to ask for them, and come what may, I shall always be at your side — happy, love, simply because I love you. You understand precious, it has always been just you, never because of what you may have or will give. I shall always, always love you, precious, take care of you and you can rest assured that there will always be a good bed and beef waiting for you evenings when you can't have. One thing this separation has done, dear, it certainly opened up and laid bare your heart to me. It seems to me that since you went away my love for you has grown a thousand fold — perhaps it is because more I keep thinking and thinking about it. And, dear heart, you shall always be king — of course dear heart I must be your queen, and the baby dear shall be the prince of love. I feel as though no one could ever take your place. You will, honey love always try

to make us happy and precious love, — it seems to me all like a wonderful fairy story. Indeed it is, love, just how much you love and long for me, I do not have to see it written on paper - for I simply judge of your love by my own. Dear heart, I am certain we shall always be happy - and not that the time is ~~too~~ short, I feel as happy as a lark, how 'bout you?

I am wonderfully elated over the no. of cases you are continually getting - even if they are small ones. They will help steadily lead up to the big ones. I can hardly tell you the joy I experienced over L. Talpar's kindness and I see you have by now pretty nearly disposed of them all. Did you get any money from that negress who was up to see you last Sunday? We hope so precious. When I read of the manner in which you were conducting your collections cases, it more than pleased me. Just as you say, you will gain new clients and make friends where other might make enemies. And love you sure did make out nicely, financially, that week. I think 12 is simply wonderful. I wonder if A. Goudelock has made that in the entire time he's in practice. This week will even be better, judging from the cases you had. Sweetheart you simply have done wonderfully well, and I am proud of you.

Whom do you think owned black-mail you in the Masonic lodge? After all, I think you did the wisest thing. I was delighted when I read about Bernatch & his nephews offer to help you, as I thought perhaps you might present that black ball being passed never mind honey, love, you just join any other lodge you may care to enter and a short time will see you a member, too. The dear seems to be wonderfully nice to you, advising you so kindly in everything. He certainly takes a keen interest in you, doesn't he honey? — not that I blame him. Give him my kind regard to him, love, and my thanks for all his kindness. Just as soon as I get my self together, after reaching Memphis, you'll introduce me to him, won't you, honey, as I am very anxious to meet him.

Precious, you would scarcely believe it were I to tell you the change for improvement which has come over mama, dear. She is entirely herself again, and we are all very happy over it. We had quite a letter from Friday night

Saturday morning. I felt in the best of spirits because I felt certain that everything was definate concerning my going down to you: you can rest assured, love, I shall keep you waiting after the first of May. Mama said to me, "Frances & promises you silver candle sticks as a wedding present, but now I can't give them to you but you can have my small brass ones if you care for them." I told her I certainly should love to have them and dear, I shall always take care of them.

The plate that I told you of, was ordered by Mama herself. It is a large gold plate, engraved as follows - as near as I can remember it. Sacred to the memory of Jacob Freedman born — " died ". May his soul rest in peace and then comes the Hebrew blessing. It is beautiful. There is a space in which can be placed a picture. Mama said "H" for it, but the "Girls" of Lena & Bertha Yarnit to mean a cast price. It is enclosed in a frame, and can be hung on the wall, but as it is very heavy Mama places it on top of the china closet. It is the first thing that strikes your eye when you come in the door. I then spoke about it to love, noted it came, and then Rose told me that Mama had placed the order. It happened to come while Mama was ill, so Rose & I decided to hide it away until she felt better, but no sooner was she up than she found it and was quite angry because we did not show it to her when it came. It is a beautiful piece, you could see it love, it is quite handsome.

As to Sally's address, I know he is wearing your uniform but he promised me to take it back this week. Dan saw him for a short time on Friday night and the letter that I sent to him he is as usual. He keeps talking about going down to Memphis all the time - and warns me that I will not be able to go down without him. Of course, I do not contradict him simply tell him "I see" Zeider is certainly becoming restless about his trip down. Mama dear, says she hates to think of the time I am to leave it Zeider has not heard definately about his transport. I guess he feels as though we don't want him to leave and so are not working for it. Mama says she always reads your letters to him and he himself reads of the land on Russians in the newspapers.

My mother was more than delighted when I told her of how you were getting on. I read her that part of your letter in which you mentioned her. You have no idea how pleased she was. I wish you could enclose a letter note to my mother in one of your letters to me. I could see how happy she was particularly when I read to her that you would have a bunk ready for me. I be thinks you have done remarkably well. Nap has been working very, very hard last week. He does so do you can imagine how hard he worked. I sure do feel terribly about it. They are extremely busy where he is working but he had Sat. & Sunday to look forward to as they worked neither of those days. Well, honey may postpone her trip for another month & hope she leaves it to May, when we can both go down to gether. She is just as funny as ever, and yesterday while we both had our trials & tribulations with our sewing she kept me screaming all the time with her humor. You see Barney and she are going to stay in furnished apart. and of course that makes things easier. If Barney does not make out so well, Nell is going to work for a short time. She is an awfully good kid, and I sure do love her.

Honey, you remember Will Friedman Barney's brother, the husband of Mollie. He is very sick & is now in an asylum incurable. Insanity - isn't that terrible honey? He has been a baby. It was shameful how his wife treated him when he became ill. She wanted to have nothing to do with him and wanted to just cast him to live or die. For that reason the family are not able to give Barney the help they promised. Ben Friedman happened to call up Cast night and I answered. I sure did Honey & a lot of flames!

As to Saige's announcements, she sent one addressed to both of us to Mama's house. Don't worry about a gift. I figured to give her $5 for both of us but Rose & I decided to give her a gift between us amounting to $5 so you see dear, that will leave us off pretty cheap. Mama is sending her a little gift and your mother insists on giving her $5 which is what Aunt Rosie gave us. Rose asked me if I had my veil as Saige wants to wear it. The veil itself is all torn and crushed, she could not use it but could use the wreathe. If she wants it, I guess I'll let her have the loan of it, as her mother certainly helped out Rose

at our wedding. What do you say, love? I do wish that you were here, for as usual, I shan't enjoy myself without you.

This morning, too, besides your 7 letters, I received one from Aida. I never saw such an unfortunate girl. Always miserable. I feel so awfully sorry for her and wish I could do something for her. I would love to see her settled in my job and will try my hardest to land it for her. She is working very hard being now registered there you know. She was staying with her aunt there who gave her all the comforts of a real home, but she took ill with pleurisy and died. Can you beat that, love!?

Now is the "Flu" there, love. Do take care of yourself and should you find yourself feeling ill, see the doctor immediately. Remember your promise & vice to take good care of yourself. If you don't!!!!!! ——— !!!! You know Mr. Knoll? He had the "Flu" and was quite sick. He is up and around, now, however.

I shall remember to see Ray & Wendal and Helen tomorrow night. Nell too, will be there.

Well, love, I hope this letter will cheer you up and make you feel happy. I feel as though I have made a miserable attempt this time and failed. We have been dreadfully busy to-day, and I have been doing my best to write between jumps. If love, I have not done so, will forgive it and think of the size of the letter.

I shall write to uncle & Mr. Lagaan at my earliest opportunity. Tell them how busy I am and assure them it is not neglect that keeps them from receiving an answer.

With all my love, hugs and kisses to my darling precious hubby with whom I shall soon be, and whom I long to be with, I'll close,

As Ever
Your loving
Wife





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Feb 25, 1919.
Tuesday: —

Dear Lark: —

Yesterday I received four letters, three from you and one from Ada. I suppose I'll not get any to-day. Do you know what I did last night? After Supper I read all four letters of last week especially the last three. I was so worked yesterday, that I couldn't get all the pleasure I wanted out of them and so in the quietness of my room, I read them all. I was very, very tired, and so went to bed early.

In Ada's letter, she requested me to send you her best regards. I don't remember whether I wrote it in yesterday letter or not. She also say she hopes to see you before I leave. I too, hope so. She has an Aunt in Atlanta, Georgia and say, should she ever make a trip, she will surely drop in to see us.

Dear Lark, in your last letter you mention some disagreement with the Rev. Evidently something has happened. Let me know all about it, Lark, when you write me. The only

thing that I can suggest is that you take things kindly and calmly and just as they come. Try to avoid him when he is in an irritable mood, and he will himself be sorry when it has passed. I know how unpleasant it is to deal with quick tempered, moody people. Still he has done a lot for you and you must put up with some unpleasantness. After all, I am sure he is fond of you and will help you all he can. So dear, you must not overlook that "Dad" much for, dear. You must not expect them to be all angel! I suppose. After us all, they have their faults.

Honey, I want you to always love me just as you do now. I shall certainly never be happy otherwise. In one of your last letters you said I deserve a better hubby - I can only tell you that I don't know why I was blest with such a wonderful, Good one. I know love, you shall never be stuck now with me again, and those days have all passed so long, what is the use of recalling them? I hope, love, they never do occur again. Precious, I want you to be to me as you are now - so kind and loving. You will want me, honey? Always!

I meant, too, to tell you yesterday that Mum asked me about Roy, and not thinking I told her Shielding. I told Mum about the *s. I told her too, that since you could write nothing good about him you just passed him over. I sure do hate that man.

You asked how I am feeling? Love, dear, I am feeling just splendid - only that I miss and long for you so much. My foot is entirely well I think, as I have left the brace off since Friday morning. I have not noticed any change. I think I am entirely cured, don't you? I do love what good care I am taking of your property. Hair about right? I am tickled to death, love, that you are not getting so many headaches. I hate to think

it, for fear of breaking the charm. Leo, just take the best of care of my honey bunch hubby, will you?

The weather is wonderful here. Sunday it was like a delightful summer's day. It was very sunny, so did not go out the entire day. Never mind Lee, I shall make up for it when I come to you. I would rather it be so, as I look absolutely no desire to go anywhere. Besides that one show, I have only been out to a movie so you see dear how little I care to go. I even do not feel like going to the wedding Saturday, but will for Mum + Rose as I promised too.

Lovey dear what lodge do you think you will join? How are the cases going? Still coming in, Lee? Hope so precious, — hope the money will begin to pour in. All my deep love to you precious, with my hugs + kisses — all darling for you. I sure do love you precious. I hope to get a big letter to-morrow from you.

Lovingly
Frances.





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Sept. 24, 1919.

Precious Kathy: —

Received your Sunday letter yesterday. I am sorry, honey dear, your Sundays are so lonesome. Never mind precious there could be many more of them. I am happy that you have developed a fondness for walking as you know me! Walking friend! That's me & all true Joe. Maybe we could have some hikes! I am starved for a good walk and some fresh air. Kept so busy that I never get the time.

Have just received your Monday's letter. Am surprised and sorry to hear about the Goldes leaving. I had looked forward to meeting Mrs. Goldes.

I went to Ray's yesterday - and my usual visiting weather it rained! I never Sunday. Thursday like it. Friday it rained, Sat it rained because it was my holiday off. When I stay in the hospital the weather is wonderful. To-day, for instance it is simply glorious out. It rained all night so I stayed

overnight at Kaiaji. Love, dear you simply ought to see Helen now. If she isn't the dearest baby in the world! No sooner does she wake up, and she looks at you with her big blue eyes, then she smiles. She certainly has a wonderful smile. I really do think she understands everything you do or say. She tries so hard to talk. After a big effort she says "Papa Pa". She is certainly wonderful. She is getting quite a big baby and looks such a good darling and too.

Rose called me up yesterday, but I was so busy I could not get to the phone. Had someone take the message and called her up this morning to find out if she wanted to tell or ask me anything. She told me that my mother was up to see your mother yesterday and brought some more cabbage and apples. I don't know how hard that must have been for mum to do as you know how weak she is. I was huffy, but then that mum managed to do this, and Rose tells me your mother was delighted.

Jeanie called me up this morning to tell me she left her position on the island. Evidently she also told me she was doing some sewing and asked she had some out to help her. I didn't take the hint as I have work over my head and can not get the time in which to do it. And it certainly takes time to try to show someone else how to do it. She is coming up to see me some night this week in the hospital, and if she brings any sewing with her, I shall tell her just how little time I get and how tired I am when I am through with a days work in the dispensary. Probably she can't realize this as the job she had — well, I am sure she could not do in a month what I have to do in a day. In that small place one

thus they have 5 people working with no work for anyone. Here we have the work all-right and only 3 people in which to do it. Watch city places, do, can you see the justice of it?

As to Ada, I don't think I shall write her anything about Mr. Finstein but rather wait until I get there and see what is what. I hardly care to have the responsibility of her making such a change as you see, she will have to find a place in which to stay, for in my home I have not room. She will be in the beginning. As sorry as I am for her, I could not do otherwise. I know Ada pretty well and know how much she drank sometimes, and consequently then I should have to see to it that she was made comfortable and kept happy and in some ways, this not always easily pleased. I will, however, try to have her fill my job when I leave. I am sure it would suit her to a T. You can tell Mr. Finstein about her, that she is a good stenographer etc. and if there is a good vacancy when I get there I shall tell him. May advise me to do this as I of course wanted to write Ada about that job immediately. May shared me the responsibility I would take. I bet so much as how, that I

I feel with Dr. Simply fail as the I ought to have done. What do you think I ought to do? Should I write to Ada, or wait until I get there? Let me know your opinion right away.





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Feb 27, 1919.
Friday.

Precious Hubby: —

just called for your wonderful letter of Tuesday. Honey, I am so happy to see to be about that case. Let me know honey, how it is getting on, will you, dear? How much do you think you will make out of it? Oh, honey, if only you got a few more like that, — we would certainly be millionaires, wouldn't we, precious? It will all come, honey, see if it does. Think of it, without any recommendation or anything. Just saw the sign and came up. You sure are doing wonderfully well, precious, and I am proud of my hubby. I now hope L. Taylor sees fit to turn you over that prosecution. Hard to wait until April first, I suppose, before we know anything definite about it. And by that time you may become notary republic, too. Well, honey, April seems to be a big month, and I sure do

wish it were here. That would mean, too, Carey only a month more and what? ———

I hardly think I'll tour the clock. It seems strange that they never traced that check, doesn't it, precious! It certainly around can in mighty handy. I'll see about it later. See how things come out financially. Somehow, I can not bring myself to count it. I'd feel very guilty.

Honey, dear, what is it that you think will hash the black ball? Is it Hradsky that you suspect? If you are black balled, you can apply again, can't you or does that count against you? I should certainly like to see you get in for I feel it would mean more business. Let me know what you intend doing.

I wrote to mack yesterday after I had written your letter. I found a little spare time for once because very busy. Explain to mack that the reason his letter was so very short was because I was rather busy at the time. Next time I shall try to do better. Will try to drop the lil. a few words soon, too. How are things going along now, between you two? I hope what ever disagreement there was has blown over.

Will run up, to see Mom Jr. tomorrow, Friday. I have some shopping to do. Have to get Fay's wedding gift, and several things that I need for myself. How can I honey go out instead of seeing you the Sundays that I am off? You know that is the only time in which I can do it. Once I get down South, back, I shall be able to

take things easier & rest, dear precious until I get there & have so much work before me that I never can't think about it. I'll be alright, don't worry, love, and shall make up for it when I reach Memphis. You will make me happy, & I shall be happy to be with you, to love it shall be worth all that Effort in the end. What do you say, precious.

Well, honey, love, I shall have to close now before long even, & tell you that I still love you just as much as always and long for you, too, just as much. How about your precious? I do wish I could look forward to next week and say, "I shall start then." Never mind, precious, Feb. is nearly over, and so that sounds encouraging, don't it?

As ever,

Your loving wife.



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Feb 28, 1919.
Friday.

Dearest Lost Heart: —

Well, honey, Feb. is over with to-day. Now we have to just sprout March and April. Do you think, honey, everything will be alright by May, for me to come down? I shall not, of course say anything about remaining until the last week in April, & I do, lost hope I won't have to wait any longer. Tell me just what you think about it.

Rec'd your stingy Wednesday letter to-day. Hope to get a big one to-morrow. Everything is as usual. Expect to see Mom to-night and my usual weather, — rain! It has a look of clearing up — but I guess it will be one of those rain and the sun shine days. I certainly do hope that it will remain clear until I get my ship date.

Honey, I certainly do hope the Dean will be able to do something for you. As to that case, well, lost, I use to expect you to make something big out of it. It is only a matter of time and things are bound to come. Hope you get that "D" soon, as that will be some sort of encouragement.

Ben L. is not worth talking about so I'll just pass him over. Kick him a piece of your mind if that will ease your envy, and then lose nothing to me to do with him.

Well, lost, I shall have to close, as it is past my lunch hour. Wrote this early to be sure you would receive a letter as Friday is a very busy day for me. With all my love kisses & kisses to my precious hubby.

I am Yours loving wife

France.





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March, 1919.

Saturday. —

Precious Hanky Lark: —

Well, dear, once you start writing March, April does not seem so far away does it, Lark? I'll I've counted it up — 60 days more. That sounds like a big bunch don't it look? I suppose, though, it will soon pass. I hope so anyway.

I received, Lark, your wonderful big letter which I shall answer Monday, if all is well. I sure did wait patiently all week, for that letter, and it was more than delighted with it. It was wonderful.

Hanky dear, I am very, very happy that you got that divorce case. Even though you do not make very much out of it, it will no doubt, in its way pay you with more cases. I sure do hope so, precious, and judging from what you told me of nigger clients I am sure it bring you more cases. As to the big one — Honey, see to it that you

make a little notoriety and a name and money (last but not least) out of it. Oh, Love, I wish you could Sam Tilden it out of it! Wouldn't it, precious, be wonderful? Then, too, perhaps the Dean may do something for you and then with the possibility of L. Taylor's proposition and the notary republic's position — It does, Lucky, Look, Encouraging, don't it!

As you know, I spent the night at Mom's home. Love is feeling fine, I am happy to say. Except that she had a sore throat last week she is getting along wonderfully well. We laughed and talked until almost 12 P.M. Seeing each other so seldom, we have so much to talk about. Mom told me to write to you that she is very, very, very angry at you. Why? Because even if you have another girl down there that young one, of the big cars, is no reason why you should altogether neglect and forget your mother. Only a letter last week, Love, which Mom thinks is terrible. You'll have to do better if you want to hold on to the pull you have with Mom. Her best love to you, angrily, Love, I can.

You must, Love, think of me just as you do, love me and be good and tender all the time. Some time it sure does look as though the time will never, never come, for me to be with you. I dreamt about you last night — it's no wonder as I think of you constantly, think and talk of you and always longing for you. Indeed, Love, we surely be happy in that little home of ours in May. I am very happy that we can celebrate our first wedding

anniversary in our own little home. The prospects are certainly wonderfully bright for us. Last year you were still in service and peace seemed so far off and so vague. Thank God, that is all over. Sometimes when I think of those terrible times, I fancy it must have been a terrible dream. I hope, love, I shall never have to go through that again. It was certainly awful.

Well, dear heart, I shall have to draw the letter to an end as I am sure I'll not have a thing to say in that big letter on Monday. And who ever heard of a big letter without anything to write about? So dear, with all my love, kisses, love and all my thoughts to you my darling precious hubby, I'll ...

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March 7, 1919

Precious Honey: — Sunday: —

Have been busy all day. It has been such a wonderful day, that honestly I hated to stay in. Have almost completed another dress. Oh Lord! I do wish I had everything done!

What, Love, have you been doing to-day? I'll bet the weather down South, too, must be ideal. Expected Rose up to-day to show me her furs, but she has not come, so I take it that she did not get it; it was not, no doubt, finished. I think, too, since the weather was so nice that Ralf & Mama went to the cemetery this morning.

Dress up until about 2 this morning doing, and then at it again at 8.30. Somehow I can't get much accomplished I don't know why. Perhaps it because I plans to do so much.

Well, honey, I don't know a thing more that will interest you, except, perhaps, that I love you; (just a little tiny bit). And, do you still love me a little? I guess you do - only a little bit, eh?

So, dear heart, I shall say Good night, and pleasant dreams. I shall try to manage a long letter to-morrow - but honey dear I can't think of a thing that will interest you. I guess I getting stupid. All my love, to my precious

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Yours Everlovingly
Bobs.





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March 3, 1914.
Monday. —

Precious Hubby: —

Well, dear heart, to-day is Monday! I'll try my best. You, Lord, have no idea who dropped in yesterday! No use telling you to guess, so I'll tell you right off. Morris Weinstein and that friend of his — Mr. Boyer. I was busy sewing when they came in and so spent only a very little time with them. Mut between Nell, Edna, Sadie & Sy they had a fine time - singing and dancing to their heart's content. Neither of them look very well. Morris is just as thin as usual, but expects to be discharged and entirely cured in a month's time. He still has his wound bandaged while the other chap expects he will be kept in the Hosp. for four or five months more. Morris asked for you and was happy to hear all the good things I told him about you. I have almost completed vest, two dresses and a shirt waist. That isn't bad, is it honey - but honey - I sure did work like a trooper. I never stopped a minute for that Saturday nor the two Sundays I was home. I don't know whether I really am so fast or whether it's the way I make the dresses, but when I try them on I feel as though I look like a graceful truck horse. This makes me so sick and discouraged that I find it awfully hard to finish the dress. Then, too, I don't give myself a minute's rest, but am always, always on the go, and being tired makes it just a little harder. I hope some day, that I shall never have to see a thing to wear for myself — Lord! but I am fed up on it now! no doubt, I'll feel differently in a day or two.

Honey dear, you see the bed-room set that you wrote me about? I have one at 150 for the piece. What, dear, does it consist of, bed, dresser, chiffarobe and dressing table? I'll bet it must be pretty. If you have seen it look, try and [illegible]

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Honey dear — you see the bed-room set that you were reading about? The one at 150 for 4 pieces. What, dear, does it consist of, bed, dresser, chiffarobe and dressing table? I'll bet it must be pretty. If you have seen it look, try and then write it me, will you? I hope mother will keep his promise. That sure would help us out wonderfully. Listen, precious, if he does get the bed, then the other pieces would not cost you so much, and if you saw anything of a better quality, why honey, look, you could afford to get it. I'll tell as little as I know about furniture, I think 150 ought to buy rather

a nice little suite. How do the ads run for rooms? About what, how would be the part of "Rooms"? I expect the rents are about the same as they are in N.Y.

Nell does not feel very well. She had rather a heavy cold and was away Friday & Saturday. She went back to-day, however. Rose told me this morning that Lolly is home ill. He seems to have upset his stomach so badly that he couldn't go to work this morning. For that reason, Rose may not be able to go with Jiddy to get his passport. You can see how much better than fair it is the undertaker actly what he needs, plenty of fresh air and a little change. a trip to New York. It will, too, do her a world of good. That is ex-

His week will certainly be a busy one for both Rose & Annie. The time is drawing near, and the wedding, and you can remember the work it means. The buying and the cooking, and arranging. Lord! I am happy, aren't you, that that we have already gone through all that? All that excitement! For Rose and myself, I bought a beautiful silver plated chafing dish. It is really quite handsome - and although not very elaborate or so large, it is, to give you an idea, something similar to the lamp tureen that Rose got from the Hamiltons wedding. You mother has sent her over $10, and my mother will send her over a gift. I think I will wear one of the dresses that I have just made to the wedding.

I expect that I will go to Kay's to-night to ask her to cut a blouse for Henry. Rose has some fabric she thinks is pretty & enough for the wedding, so I offered to sew it up for her. Haven't cut it for me, as I have no pattern. I shall probably have to go up again some evening during the week to finish it.

In order to start out as early in May as possible I am just rushing around getting as much done as I can. If I can arrange for that vacation, perhaps then I shall be able to take that a trip to Paris. But you see I do not want to leave everything for the last few minutes, as you know how everything just crops up. That is why I am rushing

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In order to start out as early in May as possible I am just rushing around getting as much done as I can. If I can arrange for that vacation, perhaps then I shall be able to take the a trifle easier. But you see I do not want to have everything for last few minutes, as you know how everything just crops up then. That is why I am pushing the sewing as much as I can. I am trying to start out on the first of May - for I, too, have long for up and figured out that I could then easily have you with for Sat + Sunday. I shall try my hardest, but of course it may

I know just how things will turn out. The weather is beaming so lovely that I can hardly wait for the time to come. I know it will soon pass, but oh! I sure do wish it had passed! Don't you? I am continually dreaming about our little home and when we pass a furniture store, I always see what they offer. I am sure our little home will be a pretty and happy one. Don't you think so, honey

Honey, dear, I am really proud of you. I think you have done remarkably well in the short time that you are there. In the letter I received to-day, you tell me you have a few more collection cases. That is fine, dear, & sure do hope they continue to come in. They are profitable, aren't they, honey? I am also very happy that your big case is going along so nicely. You simply must make good in it, dear! And that divorce case, too. It surely must be long before you are nicely established - and then it will be easy sailing. Won't I be happy? To be with my precious love. Lordy can't be see him sooner! That sure will be wonderful. And it will be soon, too, dear. Did you get those income tax returns? (Hope so love, - as every bill counts - you know, and I want to see my hubby with a lot of them - so that you will be rewarded for all your hard work.

I do wish, love that you drop a line to mom. Did you write to her yesterday? Hope so, and precious, if you haven't don't fail to do so, soon. Pop earned $17 last week. Gosh! that is a lot. He has a woman working for him - she helps him and he pays her a salary. I'm sure this way he makes a great deal more, and does not work so hard.

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Have been wondering what you did yesterday. It certainly was a glorious day, hey. How is the weather in Memphis? I'll let you know I come down, it will be zigzling hot. Can't you have an order, now, in advance, with the weather man, to have it cool? Perhaps an early order may help. It is certainly wonderful, hey, and do hope winter is past, for had an ideal winter — only few cold days and hardly any snow to speak of.

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Your loving
Wife.

(over)

Shall I write to Mr. Lazarus? as yet have not answered his note. My best regards to Mrs Lazarus when you see her. Also to Mrs & Mr Solomon — and the Hearn's too.

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March 4, 1919
Tuesday: —

Dearling Hubby: —

Have just received your two letters - one written Saturday and the other Sunday. I surely am sorry that Saturday was a mailless day for you for I know exactly what an empty unenviable feeling it leaves. I try to catch the same mail every day, in order to regulate its delivery. I am sorry, honey, for the made Sat. & Sunday without mail.

As you must know by now, I was off Sunday last, in that I worked 7 Sunday in succession. On that day I had Washington's birthday (Sat.) and the Sunday off, and then the following Sunday was again mine. I am going to ask to have this Sunday off, too, as I shall be up, I expect, late Sat. night on account of the wedding. Don't know whether I shall succeed, but there is nothing like trying. I expect they'll put up a big fuss about it.

Honey, dear, I certainly do think your hunch about ... during the past months. Much, much better that I ever dared ... past. And I sure do hope it continues so, as I do want to be with you in May. Honey, do you think there will be any possibility of it being later than May? I have been thinking that things are rather quiet there in Summer, - what do you think, precious? Let me know, as really, I shouldn't care to stay without you any longer than May is long enough. I don't suppose you were able to save anything more, honey, as your expenses for the month must average that amount. Next month, I am sure will be even better, as there is, as you say, money due you, and can't help to come in. Has L. Taylor said anything to you as to whether he cares for those cases or not? Oh, honey, I sure do wish he'd turn it over to you. I am quite anxious for April - or then you shall know definately about it also about the notary republic ship. Indeed, honey, it will help - Everything helps - just now. It was kind of that attorney to turn it over to you. Oh to that big case. I

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the character of the woman. I tell, dear, he did assault her
so he will have to pay in any case. I bet that so? I feel

that he will try to settle out of court. See to it, look that you make something worth while out of it. You must expect that you will need a little brushing up here and there, — remember that you were out a year and a half. You will be surprised to see how quickly you'll come back to where you were. Cheer, precious, Keep at it as much as you can.

As to attending the Bernatsky wedding — of course, I shall do as you wish about it. If you want to go, or feel that if we are invited we must attend — alright I'm there. If, on the other hand you won't care to go — alright, too.

Who do you think or suspect will black-ball you? Do you still think Bernatsky? If not, why? Don't worry about it. If you get in, well and good, if not, "you should worry." Perhaps, after all, things look blacker to you than they really are: Sincerely, Love & So.

I am happy that you spent Sunday agreeably. What did you do? Do and you manage to go out with her. Run Steve more often? Is he single? If so, I should think you could both be together, more particularly since you seem to care for him.

If you could find a place which we could pay off with rent, that would be dandy. Yet, honey, on thinking it over, three rooms have more than 3 rooms, so that would mean a rather large rent, and the expense of furnishing all the rooms. What do you think? You see, honey, I have been thinking it over, and have come to the conclusion that in the beginning, we shall have to be very economical indeed. There will be your office and the house rent, the expense of the house, for food, various little things that we will have to get, and other incidentals which have a habit of mounting up dreadfully. So, until you become a little more firm in your practice, I think it best to pay a moderate rent. Especially as I said before, the summer months are

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Precious, love, I sure do long for you. To-day more terribly than usual. I feel dreadfully lonesome, and wish so to be with you. Somehow the time seems to pass so slowly. May seems very far away. I seem to feel that something is going to turn up to postpone it later than May. Tell me, honey, if you really feel that I can come down then.

We can not assume that you will have much trouble holding me to my promise to go on long hikes. It's been ages since I have had one and I sure am aching for them — Especially with you honey. That is probably the reason I do not walk much is because you are not with me.

Truly hope that your good luck will continue. I sincerely hope the case continues to come in. Let me small ones come in and the large ones will take care of themselves and come in due time.

I met up to Kay's last night and between us, we cut and made up the whole blame [illegible] Henry. If I keep letter to-morrow, I shall take a run home to my mother, and stop up to see you. Regards from Kay. I did not see Mendel as he came be very late and I had to get back to the Hospital - Helen is a perfect dear, and bitch her for you. Lawrence is some boy. He sure is a good kid.

Shall close, honey, with all my love, hugs + kisses, and hope to hear some more good news from you.

Everlovingly
Your loving and wifie

Am enclosing the clipping from last nights Journal. I think me so being very pretty.

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March 5, 1919.
Wednesday.

Dearest Rose: —

Have just received your wonderful letter of Monday. I feel so very happy. Somehow I was blue yesterday, and felt that there would be something to prevent my coming down in May. I have been "blue" all morning but your letter cured all that. I am sure everything will be alright and May is getting nearer & nearer every day. It can't be much longer. I am just pining for you, love, and am hungry for your love and kisses. I miss and long for you so much and only pray that nothing happens to make our separation longer. Don't, honey, worry or be unhappy.

Strange, honey, but I felt that the man in the case should seek settlement out of court. I feel certain that you can handle it alright, but see to it that you make something worthwhile out of it. I am happy to know that both this and the divorce case is getting along nicely. Hear, do you even see that man that promised to do something for you - and told you to come around often? If I remember right his name is Goldberg. He once gave you a case — the Gypsie case. Keep tabs on him Love.

Mon-dear is alright. I am going to run up home to-day and if I can possibly get up to see your mom. I will. I want to put the finishing touches on the dress I am to wear at the wedding, and will look up my Slippers, which if they are not fit to wear, I have to go out and get new ones. Say Rose tells me is sick in bed with a cold. Trust that too bad. I sure do hope she feels better soon.

Love, do you remember that once I often spoke of Ida? Miss Graham that married an army officer? I am sure you will remember whom I mean — well Love, I heard to-day that in a few months she expects to become a mother. I was so happy to hear about it, knowing how anxious she [illegible]

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you will remember whom I mean — well love, I heard to-day
that in a few months she expects to become a mother. I was so
happy to hear about it, knowing how anxious she was to have a
baby and realizing how happy she must now be.

The illness that I spoke to you about is alright now
I feel much, much better only I have a headache which I rate
I usually get at that time — also the "blues."

The weather is wonderful to-day and am sure as soon as I get out I shall feel much better. Love, keep on taking good care of yourself - remember your promise to me.

With all my love - hugs and kisses to the most precious baby in all the world, with whom I want so much to be with. I'll close,

your lonesome little

Toots.

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Thursday.
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Precious Hubby: —

Am dreadfully disappointed as I did not get your letter at the usual time to-day. Have hopes, however, of receiving it in the next mail. If I don't! ——— . You know all those dreadful things I once told you — well — I haven't forgotten a word. Will have to wait 7 hrs. more, for the next mail.

Was not able to see your mother last night, as it rained hard all evening and night. Know you hear that! whenever I go back it tears in torrents. Now the day before yesterday and to-day are simply wonderful. I sure have so full with the weather man. I was sure sorry as I had carried home with me (Henry's Home that I made, and a few other things and had to carry them all back with me, so that I can take them over to-morrow (Friday night).

Mrs. Swallow allowed me to go shopping this morning. I waited of coming in at 9, I went directly to the Stores and came in about 10.30. That make it very nice for me, so I did not have to work back & forward, saving myself a trip. I bought the few necessary things I need to finish the finishing touches on my dress. It sure does look rather nice — at least I think so even if it did cause me lots of work.

Am very anxious to know how your cases are getting along but will have to conclude this note with a

little patience. We hope the cases are getting along
and that nothing is ~~wrong~~ wrong.

Mary's out of the best stores that I was in, had a
ivory bed room set in the window. I tell you honey it looked
something wonderful. It does make up beautifully. This
one had twin beds with the night table between, a dresser
chiffarobe and dressing table, besides a rocker and a
couple of chairs. It had no price on it, - for which I
am sorry ~~looked~~ I cut a clipping from last night's paper
showing Grannamake's sale of furniture. I left it in
the pocket of my shirt and will mail it to you
to-morrow. You can compare the values.

Am enclosing a clipping from this morning's paper
which, when I read it, made me think of your case. You
might care to read it. So I am sending it to you.

I shall close, Darey love, with all my love & hugs
and kisses to my most precious lubly dear, and wait
expectations of hearing from you in the next mail.

Everlovingly
Your Wifie

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March 7, 1919.
Friday: —

Precious Kathy: —

Well, dear heart, Friday again, and because of its usual rush for me, you are going to get the usual short Friday letter. I am writing this in the morning to be sure that you get it. As you, no doubt, noticed on the envelope, I received your letter yesterday, just as I was about to post you mine.

I will write you about the furniture when I write you the big letter. But one thing, honey, under no circumstances get a brass bed. Heavens! That is the very worst thing. Simply hate them!

Except for a slight headache, I am feeling fine. How, love, are you feeling? Fine, I hope, and do honey, love, take care of yourself. Mom dear, is feeling fine, — I shall see her to-night.

Rose told me to-day that Mom says its a good thing you are married to me, so that at least, indirectly she hears from you. Rose promised you a heart of a letter, and no amount of excuses from me as to how busy you are etc. appeased her. So dear, you know what to expect — sort of preparing you for the shock. I told her to go easy as you are my hubby — but I don't think that had much effect. Poor little Henry

has a sore throat which gave him a fever. Mom used ~~Alcohol~~ alcohol for his head. He told Mom, that it was a good thing you were married to me" - cause he can have the alcohol. So all around, dear, see how fortunate you are. He sure is some kid!

Lee, put in your application for the '60 immediately. Ly is sending a copy of his discharge papers to the authorities, I see it. Lee, '60 & '60. looked for another check, but guess I lost my pull, nothing so far this month.

So, dear heart, this was supposed to be a short letter, and in order to keep my promise I'll have to stop right now. With all my love, hugs & kisses,

Your little wifie
Frances.

Am dying with curiosity to know what you are saving for the big letter. Can't you even hint me what's it about? mean!

Enclosed you will find the shopping about the furniture, which I think good value.





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March 8, 1919.
Saturday: —

Precious Sweetheart: —

Just received your short letter of Thursday and the one I received yesterday did not take me very long to read. And you called me "stingy"? Never mind, Sweet, I sure do love you anyway. Even if you don't love me enough to write me five minutes more.

I realize how busy you must have been, but honey, it is torture to make me wait until Monday for a bit of news. All week I have been looking forward to Saturday for my big letter. And finally when it does come, my honey sweet hubby writes "To-morrow". Dear, dear, I sure do wish I were with you — you are so busy and no one there to cheer and comfort you. Never mind precious, the time is getting

shorter and shorter as each day passes. It will soon be here. I will write you a big letter again on Monday if it is at all possible. I sure do wish, love, I had that big letter, but as you say I shall be happy when I read of what you have done, I shan't complain. I know you must have been rushed some. I really, thank God, that things are going so wonderfully well for us, — so why should I grumble because business has kept you busy?

Well honey, tonight Faige gets married. We had supper last night at "Jane" Noble's house. Did that remind me of the Friday before our wedding? And love, did I miss and long for you? Dear heart, it was simply awful. But I started to think how we used figure 2 months before we got married, and gradually it crept up until it was one month, then we counted the days, and finally the day did count. Now I can hardly realize that 8 months have passed by. Can you honey? When I saw everything, love, I actually felt as though it was for our wedding, that's a fact, the time seems to have just pass over so quickly. So I am sure this separation of ours will pass — quickly. I hope so, anyway. Faige sure has an ideal day. It is lovely out now, although this morning it both looked & felt, like rain or snow.

It was at the house when your letter came this morning, so lonely, you see I know some of

the good news of your letter already.
I also had an inkling of your news about
Mr. Priestley as I read your precious letter
to mama. But Honey, I want to read it
in my own letter. I want to read among
the lets of news how much you love me and
long for me, and how much you want me.
You have absolutely no idea how much I
long to hear from you, and while some
people marvel at a letter each day
that single letter hardly suffices the
longing I have for you.

Well, love, I shant hear from you
again until Monday. That sure is a long
time, but dear I shall be thinking of
you all, all the time. All my love to my
darling, precious hubby. Dont forget to
take care of yourself, busy or not busy,
understand?

Lovingly
Your devoted Wifey





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March 9, 1919
Sunday

Precious Lucky: —

How are you love? What are you doing to-day? I am up at Mona's now. It is about 3 in the afternoon & I have gotten up after a nap. It has been raining terribly all morning.

Well, love, Faye is married & the excitement is all over, but the dishes and stuff is more every still reminds us of last night. will write you all about it to-morrow.

I sure do hope, love, that I get that big letter to-morrow. I have been thinking of you every second all last night and this morning, wishing and wishing that you were either here, or I there. Mm. + Mm.

Pipp-am are there and asking for you.

letter to-morrow. I shall close,

Your terribly lonesome

Wifie

Best from all here. Mum Zeida Rose Polly Henry & Bertha Lena, Lena Bertha, & don't know that the last ought to send you love, but will put it in anyway so you see you have quite a good measure. aber! er — er — how is the lady of the house getting along. Hope she doesn't worry you.

I am going to start for home & read my numbers, as the weather is too rotten to go for a walk, so I will go home and perhaps do a little sewing. Will not go down this morning, to work, — wait to-morrow, wait — until you hear all the talk. You know how much it worries me — & Dear, I shall be able to say "Good bye forever."

I do hope, love, that the cases continue to come in, and see to it love that you take care of yourself, Lena?

I will close now, as I want to take a run up to Aunt Mollie and Rosie's house before I leave for home. With all my love, hugs and kisses, and with hopes that I get that big

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Monday:

Dearest Hubby: —

Just received your long letter of Friday. It is a dandy, but not quite long enough. Honey, I do think no matter how much you wrote I should never be satisfied, as I want you — only you. I do wish for the time to come. It does certainly seem near. The other day while sewing in my room I thought of the time when I would look back and the parting with my mother loomed up in front of me, with the thought of when, after I am gone, will I see her again? What would happen and what would fate dole out for us in that time? It affects me so that I cannot stop crying all night. Even now, look, I can not keep back the tears. A mother is the most wonderful person in the world. Yet how few children realize it, and even try to pay with love and consideration all that she has sacrificed. I most certainly hope that a short time after I am there we both can make a trip North. That will be our first vacation trip — for dear. If I go away it is to be with you. By that time I hope your mother will be comfortably settled down South with us. That, I hope, will take place soon after we are settled down together, as I still think that is the only thing for Mama. The sooner she comes down, the better it will be for her health as the Stl Queries are not hopeless. When I get down I am going to speak to Uncle Morris about it and see if he can help us. By that time I hope Zieden will have safely made his voyage to England.

Dear hubby, Your headaches do bother me terribly. Is there absolutely nothing you can do for them? If they come from your stomach, take one of those cascara tablets occasionally. They are very good and will not hurt you — the least. If the headaches come from your eyes, they look yourself an oculist immediately. Your poor dear, I certainly do sympathize and feel sorry for you. Lord! a headache for 3 days! That, honey is terrible and try to prevent it coming on again. Hear? I will try to learn as much as I can about cooking before I look, but one thing dear I am sure of, that even if I don't, I can manage passing delectables common sense cooking which always beats restaurant meals. I am sure that I will get along alright. Until then, precious, I want you to take the best care of yourself — cause otherwise I shall not love you. It ends Yours

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then, precious, I want you to take the best care of yourself - cause
otherwise I shall not love you. If ever you think of Mr. Painter to
you and dear, if you feel it coming on again, see him, and perhaps
you take something you can ward it coming on.

Now, honey, about my leaving New York, I will positively

all possible, start out on May 1st. I am mighty anxious to have things
done as quickly as possible. But, dear, I have asked you if you think
there is any possibility of my having to stay here longer than we
I feel sure from your letters that everything will be alright, &
earnestly hope and pray it will be so. The reason I ask you this
is because I want to arrange about my vacation. You see, I'd
just like to make some reservation, — it wouldn't be Bellevue
otherwise — and I want to be sure of my ground if it happens that I must stay longer, — & hope not — then I shall
have to be a little less dependent and milder in my request. If on
the other hand they refuse me the vacation on the ground it is
too early, no relief for me etc. — I shall take it anyway if
I am paid well and good, and if I am so much the better —
that is of course if I leave the place at the end of April.
The time is getting short, lost, so don't forget to answer me
so that I will have time to put in my application & meet any
opposition they may put in my way, and still have the vacation
in April. So dear don't forget to let me know what you think
about it. In the meanwhile love, try to pass your nights and
days pleasantly, — go out as much as you can, — and try
not to become so lonesome. It makes me feel terribly sad
when I think of it and particularly when you write me about
how lonesome you are. It is terrible lost, for dear I feel exactly
the same way, but precious I hope, please God, the time
will soon pass. Try, lost to make the best of it and think of
the happy days that are in store for us & soon, too

Honey dear, I am happy that you have seen the
furniture and like it. I am sure I will, too. As to Mr. Mustin's
plan of simply buying necessary furniture, I hardly think it
practical. To simply have a bedroom would suit me, please you now
me. We must have a kitchen, too. Now to get, say, a bed & dresser
chairs & are necessary, would cost us at the very least $50 —
that would be cheap furniture. Now when we did get settled
we would not care to use that, — so that would be $50 foolishly
spent. If we did get, as you suggested, — a good bed, that
would cost us close to $50 about and then we have to face the
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to pay for a bed, we could make a payment on the furniture and then pay it off in time - and in the meanwhile have the pleasure of seeing the place look pretty and decent. Perhaps uncle will pay for the bed as he promised, and that could take care of the first payment. Last night Mom suggested this, which I forgot to write to you. That you pick out the rooms and have them ready, pick out the furniture, too, if you wish, but do not buy it, and in the meanwhile, for a day or two, we could stop at some hotel. On account of the wedding, we had supper Friday night at Aunt Mollie's home, and there was too many for me to talk to her about the furniture. I stop up at the house before I went over and read your letter in which you ask for the library set. Mom, I am sure will let us have it, but she said we must first see if it pays to ship it. She thinks it will cost quite some. She also remarked that if we do ship the furniture, I ought to take the machine and the desk. I felt rather guilty and honey I want you to pay Mom for the things we if we do get them.
Soon as we can for I realize that Mom could sell these things and get some money for them which would come in very handy to her. Her goodness and kindness cut me, and I felt so selfish that I could not talk about it. If the Lafayette only paid $40 why these things ought not cost us very much - and gradually we could give Mom the money that we owe her and for the furniture too. As to the book case, look, I told that to Mom with the Hamilton for $7. It would not have paid to ship it, I don't think do you? How it would cost us something to get another, & our second Change check perhaps it would be best to take it along for your library. Let me know what you think about it. I could buy it back from Mom for $5. as to Mom's set. I don't see how, how we can have it unless Mom decides to move, do you? well, dear you see what Mom writes to you about it. for, as I say, it took very little time to talk it over.

I'm happy, too, that you have not forgotten that you must write to my mother. At the very first opportunity do so, will you? Make it soon. Pop is feeling OK. - 65 - last week. Can you beat that Barney, hey, I understand a beautiful office, and is doing rather well. I trust that you did win by electing a

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Dodo think, honey, that you have done perfectly wonderful. 22 in five days is surely great. Hope precious it keeps up, and I am sure it will from the way you are trying. Just 6 get there, honey, no wonder M. Goldberg is vexed like he became and I dont wonder with you. He sees how nicely you are getting along, and thinks he can settle down nicely on a foundation you have made. Mont altho for mine, precious, you are out for yourself (and your wife, eh?). I don't doubt but what your office is real pretty, and believe me, I am anxious to see it.

As to Fanny's wedding, honey, I have some of this news for you when I see you, as I do not want to spend too much time talking about her. One thing, however it didnt come up to ours, not by a long shot. They had enough people in those small rooms to fill a good size hall — you couldn't move and there wasn't a place to sit down. I landed a chair for my mother - and believe me I had some time getting it, and had to keep my eyes open. Poor Mrs. Hyppman was so tired that she stood against the wall to rest her feet. Mr & Mrs Hyp were both there, and I told them all about how nicely you were getting along; they were very happy to hear it. Do you remember Flora, Tanti Leah's daughter? She told me of the time she took care of you for a penny. She wanted to see you real badly and wants to be remembered to you. Everyone was asking for you and if Flora happened to be near me she would say, "Oh! for Gods sake don't start her off again all I hear is Joe, Joe, Joe over the telephone whenever I see her — my God — this is terrible. Don't ask her about her darling hubby, for heaven's sake." Poor Mom & Flora worked to beat the band. It was something awful, I never saw such a mob and everything was so badly managed. Flora lost a pretty pin which she had just bought and wore for the first time. I felt very sorry and though back as we search high and low we could not find it. No wonder all you could see on the floor was feet — no floor was visible. Sage looks as petite & demure as ever. Dick certainly got an arm full.

mind, precious, for are and for yourself (and your wife, eh?). I don't doubt but what your office is real pretty, and believe me, I am anxious to see it.

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eyes would roam about looking for a place to sit down. It will
use to big a comb for those small rooms. I do not recall what
I told you what Rae & I got for her. We got her a beautiful
baking dish of silver plate. Something very neat and pretty.
My mother gave them a $5 bill which Hicks shared in the
pocket of his full dress suit and which I am sure he will
forget to hand it in when he returns back the suit. Aunt Rosie
told me that she was going to send you some cakes and
when I call up Rose I am going to have her remind her to
do so.

Last during the ceremony I thought I would scream
right out. Naturally my thoughts were of you all the time.
I was perfectly miserable and cried as though my heart would
break - I wanted you and long for you so much. For mom Rae
& I it was very, very sad. Naturally we all thought of your
dear pop — and terrible hardly describes the word for us
But dear, I would talk about that too much. I feel too badly
to, but when I am with you we will talk about it. I am
however very happy that it is over, as it was some piece
of work for them.

Dear heart, these last few days have been awful
for me. My longing and love increases every minute. I do miss
you terribly. I count the days - already I am waiting for Saturday
that is the 15th and then I can say 1/2 week is gone. How
badly I do am loving me, all all the time — loving and longing
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us were suffering, that we did the right thing. I guess
we did — but it is certainly very hard. No doubt when we
see each other we will agree that it was worth while but
until then ?

How are you & Mr. Lazarus getting along? Asked you
that before and you didn't answer. I'll bet you don't truly read
my letter — that's why you never answer. Am I right?

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How are you + Mr. Lazarus getting along? Asked you that before and you didn't answer. I'll bet you don't fully read my letters, that's why you never answer my questions. Very well my friend Emanuel from the General Army has been discharged from service and was in to see us all today. He returns to his job as pharmacist to the General Army and I shall see him very often, — so — You had better keep on lovin' me and huggin' me real tight all — all the time — and

answer some of my questions. Well, to come back to the question. Have your two straightened things out? Also asked you whether I should write to him or not? However! Give my regard to his wife when you see her.

How, honey, is your divorce case getting along? And the big suit. How is — is — the lady in the case? And honey, how is Jamaica getting along? My regards to him and your aunt, + Mr. + Mrs. Solomon.

Lorrie was up to see me Saturday night, but I had already left as I went home in a rush on account of the wedding. She left a note for me under the door asking me to write. I was sorry I missed her. I wrote a real long letter to Ada last Sunday night and sent her your kind regards.

You should have seen how nice Henry looked. The blouse I made for him turned out very well only the sleeves were too short — but they can be fixed. He is certainly becoming a big boy — I can hardly realize he is not a baby anymore. The poor kid had a cold but I think he is feeling much better now.

Well, honey, I sure do hope that you get this letter on time, as I write when I get a chance. We have been very busy to-day and I had to finish after I got there. I am so tired as tired as can be. I do wish I were there with that peace — would be long however, that I am consolate —. I can't come too soon to suit me, what do you say?

So, good-night, precious hubby, and as it is getting dinky I'll wish you nice pleasant dreams, and give you a big good night kiss. Oh, precious to be able to say that to you in answer to your wishes! To feel, love, your kisses and arms! Honey, I sure do wish for the time to come. To-day it is just 2 months since you are down there — half the time has already passed me?

Mr. + Mrs. Solomon.

Carrie was up to see me Saturday night, but I had already left as I went home in a rush on account of the wedding. She left a note for me under the door asking me to write. Was sorry I missed her. Wrote a real long letter to Ada last Sunday night and sent her your kind regards.

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Your tearful wifie
Frances.

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March 11, 1919
Tuesday.

Precious Hubby, dear, —

Have just received your 2 letters of Saturday and Sunday. They are wonderful hunky, love. am happy you got in the Masonic lodge — as I am sure you did. Well, dear, all that worry and fretting over nothing. Am positive you will make it and handy. I am very, very happy about it. You did wise by getting those books — they will soon pay you back. I do hope, love, that they will bring you in heaps of money. If you only get that Mining Republic ship, that will help put us thro the summer months — and we will be very economical at first. Really & your expenses must be large — but when I come down things will be different.

I sure was sorry to hear about the Lizzie car being black balled. How about Whitein? It is too bad, but perhaps as he was not offered all satisfied, there may still be some mistake about it. I hope so, anyway. But sure do hope it is true that you passed. How is I don't a doubt in my mind but that you will make the 3rd degree without much trouble.

Evidently you forgot to tell me about that claim you 19 Vc and that was probably what you intended to write in the big letter together with the corporation case. That corporation case was dandy, hope you get many more like them. "V" in 15 minutes is swell. A few of those a week would'nt be so bad, eh? Am so happy love to hear that cases are still coming in — and precious hope they will continue to.

As to our being happy — oh love! — it only the time would come! I am sure you will always be good kind and considerate to me and that is all I need to make me happy when I am with you. And dear, if I am kept happy, you can rest assured that I shall in every way take care of your happiness. The only thing is that 3 weeks have to slip by.

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Look, as you know who has a little baby girl? A.J. Whitney! Evidently I was told he has a Paige car – a beauty, I understand.

My foot, Look, as you know is alright, now. Feel extremely tired but otherwise alright. Take good care of yourself and

wrote to my mother just as soon as I got a chance.

All my love, hugs & kisses to you, princess, and don't stop loving me.

Your loving Wifie

Frances.





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March 17, 19.
Wednesday.

Darling Hubby: —

Just received your darling letter of Monday. Can hardly tell you how happy I am that you are now a member of the Masonic Order. It certainly was a good thing that you followed Jane's advice & let your application remain — and after all things were not so black as they appeared Honey. I wish you lots of happiness as a member, and hope, besides the pleasure you will derive from it, that it will give you lots of help in your profession. Surely do hope to hear soon that you became a Notary Republic, and that L. Taylor handed over to you, that proposition.

About Rubstein's offer, honey, I do not quite understand, — is he to be a partner or is he simply helping you

to fix up the store - Most certainly I will do all I can, but the question most concerns Rose, as she will have most of the responsibility on her shoulders. Personally, I think she would fall in the idea, and I think it would be a dandy idea - as Mom would have something in hand, and Rose, too. I am sure Mom will be happy over the plan. Of course I will do all I can, & Rose could brush up on her work and become registered after a while. That would dispense with a registered clerk and get a good junior (a man) with good practical experience. I shall be down to see Mom Friday and we can talk it over, as you see precious, we must be extremely careful as to how we use Mom's money. Let me know more particulars as you go along. After all, there is only one thing for Mom to do - and that is to go down to Uncle Morris & You. I know unless there is something definite as to an income - such as a store etc. Mom will never go down and this strikes me as just being a wonderful plan. I did not know there was such a thing as a reciprocity paper. Of course it requires a registered person of that State in charge of the store, doesn't it?

As to the furniture, love, Friday will settle that, too. But honey do not understand about your suggesting a living room with a china closet, etc. & daughter she would have a library instead - This I think would be more practical for your sake. You would need a library in the house you know. He takes it Mom lets us know it calls for a library. And at the beginning we can only afford 3 rooms, so think a library set would be more appropriate.

Dear going to take a run up to See Ray to-night. So I am writing this in great haste, knowing I'll not get another chance until late to-night - it. late to catch the mail. So, precious, hubby, I shall have to draw this letter to an end, sending in it all my love, hugs, and kisses

Your everloving Wifie
- Frances.

P. S. Rose goes out to-day this if you want Standard, Mamie will take Sunk for you Friday and send it to you. Sante Rosa's is all good, I suppose, and besides it would be all stale. Nothing like that for you, honey - must be good & fresh.

Frances.

Hope, precious, they do not kill you at the institution to-morrow night.





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March 13, 1917.
Thursday,

Honey Love: ——

That clipping in your letter to-day has made me extremely happy. Everything seems so wonderful to-day. I had your letter, then my vacation seems to be coming along, and to cap it all the weather is simply wonderful. It is a regular spring day — clear and warm. And honey — just 4 weeks to-day please God — I start off to you. Forty-nine more days! It does, Love, seem so near. Oh, Precious, — we are now counting the days.

Awfully sorry honey, that you only received no mail on Tuesday, but your letters on Monday explains it all. It's alright as the day you get 2 but oh! the following day! That's where the misery comes in.

As I told you I went to Ray's last night. Both Ray & Mendel send you their best regards. Honey, I honestly

don't know what I am going to do for that baby when I go South! Really, dear, she is remarkable. As yet she is not six months, and nothing short of standing suits her. Believe me, I sure was fooled when I went home, and do not know how Kay stands it. She refuses to sit, and when you do put her on her feet she begins to jump up and down as though she were dancing and her hands fly all over. We spread the quilt on the floor, and I sat on the floor for about 3/4 of an hour watching her get up on her feet herself. All that is necessary is for you to allow her to support herself and believe me you die laughing to see her push her little legs under her to get up. Honestly I act like a nut when I go up there. She is always smiling - I'll swear she recognizes me - for just as soon as I pick her up - she looks at me with those big eyes - and then comes the most wonderful smile - the most intelligent smile - I have ever seen. I almost kill her. I wish I could take her South with me.

I am so proud of you lately, I have seen your clipping in Evergreen. Mrs. Knodt & Mrs. Swallow have a snap for you, last Sat. Is this the case, love, that you told me about, which resulted from a collection case? I don't think it is, as that one the man was going to see. Oh precious, you are doing simply wonderful, and I only hope that everything will be alright for when I come down.

I, dear, am feel fine. So happy today. You, honey, must take every care of yourself, understand, especially now as you are working very hard. Any more headaches? We hope not.

will run up to Manis to-morrow. Lord! I have so much to talk to her about! Oh luck will have it Lina is coming up to see me at your mother's house to-morrow. Ofcourse I am delighted! Last Saturday night I was pleasantly surprised into a visit from Carrie at the hospital. I certainly was happy to see her and as she stayed until 10.30, I passed a very pleasant evening. Last Sat. night she took a run up to see me, but I missed her by 5 minutes. I was in such a hurry to get out and get home an account of the wedding.

Well precious, after I write to you, there is always the same feeling - that I have to wait until to-morrow for another letter. I do wish I got about 25 a day. Shall close, precious with all my love, hugs, and kisses,

Yours loving wifie

Frances.

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March 1st, 1919.

Precious Hubby: —

Just received your thingy letter of Wednesday, and how I expected a big fat one in answer to my Monday's letter. The mail must have been delayed a day at your end. Hope I get the big fat one to-morrow.

Precious, I was so happy when I read about that case in which you expect to make $100 — that the tears just sprang into my eyes. dear, I am so happy - so is wonderful! I do hope, love that it keeps up. I am sure it will. Are you any idea who this influential man in the mesaure order is? Hope, love, that he does something, too, to help you along.

Br-r-r-r- but it sure is cold out. Snowing as though it means a blizzard! After all the nice warm weather we have had this week. You might know its Friday and I am going off early. Can you equal that? we are talking of how we pull with that weather man!

I thought I told you last week, that I would write you big letter on Monday. Perhaps it slipped my mind. Will write you a big one again coming Monday if all is well. When I am home, on Sunday it is almost next to impossible to write much, and then, too, I am usually sewing and find very little time. An temptation to get up to your mothers to-day as I have so much to talk over with her. I called up my mother last night and she told me she had a run up yesterday

afternoon to see your mother. Was very happy to hear it. Have you written to my mother yet? Do so, honey, will you? Some evening or night when you are not busy, it will not take you long.

I must not precious, write you too long a letter as I am getting you spoiled. I write big ones and you answer with stingy tiny short ones. Ain't fair. I guess you are too busy with the lady chints in your case to write a long much to your wifie, who is pining away with neglect cause no one looks her. So, I am going to end right now with all my love hugs and kisses (to my mother cause she is the only one who looks me). Love, precious is a big big kiss and a tight smothering squeeze to you, my darling precious hubby.

Everlovingly
Your Toots.

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March 15, 1917.

Dearest Love: —

Have just received your wonderful letter of Thursday. Dear heart, it is just wonderful and I do love you so much. Will answer with a big big one on Monday. Oh, precious, to nestle up now in your arms, what, - what wouldn't I give? Love, dear, I do so wish for the time to come so that you could cuddle and kiss me!

Precious, I am enclosing the applications for Zeidel's passport which Mom dear wants you to fill out. Owing to the recent excitement of the wedding, Mom did not have very much time to attend to it. They also require a sworn statement from someone, saying that he is a born Russian. You can get that from Solomon & Bernatsky - Mom will have Richmond put the seal on here, - but you, honey fill out the application and get this statement as to Zeidel's birth. To-morrow Mom will have his pictures taken and just as soon as we hear from you, they will arrange for a hearing at the bureau. (passport bureau).

Everything is going along nicely, here and honey dear, I am more than delighted to know how wonderful things are progressing with you. Dear, I only hope they keep up.

Mom dear is feeling fairly well, and wishes me to send you all her love. This precious is a very short letter, but,

dear, I shall more than make up for it Monday. I am fairly rushed to-day – you know what a Saturday here is, – and it is all I can do, to get a few words off to you. We are frightfully busy at times – and this is one of the times.

Nina Mayo Chadwick was down to see me last night, and wishes to be remembered to you. Expect to see Carrie to-night – she will be down to the dispensary to meet me and come home to supper with me at my mother's house.

I shall close, Darby dear, with all my best hugs and kisses to my darling, precious hubby.

Exclusively
Your little wifie

This, last, is where I feel you again, with all this enclosed

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Sunday: —

Darling Hubby: —

Where will I be 7 weeks from to-day? Whom am I going to be with? If all goes as planned, I shall be with you 7 weeks from yesterday. Are you happy prospects? Lord! I sure do wish for the time to pass.

It is perfectly miserable out - a cold continuous rain. This is the 3rd day we have had this terrible weather, the result being that a great many people are complaining with sore throats and colds. Since to-morrow is St. Patricks day, I guess we will have to put up with another day of it - as this is their annual parade weather - and then, perhaps - some delightful Spring weather again.

What, Love, are you doing to-day. Sure do hope you spend the day pleasantly. Having been up late, both Friday night and Saturday nights, I made up for it this morning, but getting up at 10 A.M. And here I am now, not knowing what to do with my self or what to do. It's too nasty out, and the machine is being used by Pop - so I feel like a fish out of water. Why I always manage to get rain on the days I am off, is beyond me!

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until 8 when perhaps, I too, may grace her to hear her festive speech.

Last night Edna, Nell, and my self went to the Colonial. Gosh! there wasn't a decent picture there; and I sure felt disgusted. The weather is enough to make anyone sick. It is just steaming out now.

To-morrow, Dear, I'll write you a nice big long letter. I sure do miss your letter to-day. It is terrible when I don't hear from you. Expect however that I will get a letter in the morning.

Shall close, precious, with all my love, hugs + kisses, and hoping and wishing so hard that we'll soon be together.

Your lonesome little wife,
Frances.

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March 17, 1913
Monday.

Dearest Love Heart: ——

Received your darling letter of Friday, and honey, you simply have no idea how proud and happy I am to read these clippings concerning you. Only dear, to be able to tell you just how I feel and to just hug & kiss you — that is what I miss and long to do. But soon, dear, soon — I shall have all the pleasure and opportunity, — won't we, love.

There are many, many things which I want to discuss with you and hope I shant forget anything, as the time is getting short, & I want to things arranged as much as possible. First dear we will talk about Mom. Friday night we sat up until 1.30 A.M. talking things over. Mom is very, very anxious, I know, to be near you and make merry — and I think that the only thing left is, — how soon can we get them all down? If things could be arranged at your end I feel sure they could come down shortly after I do, if not with me. I asked Mom just how soon she could start, and she answered "as soon as I get a start erected on the cement-tory, which will be about 1 month." Now, love, we have been thinking over the proposition of Pinstein's. This, dear, seems, to me, to be the wisest course to pursue at the present hostorage. To have Rose work in Pinstein's store, if he will engage her, where she can pick up pharmaceutical knowledge and practice, & so prepare herself for the board. Could she, do you think, earn $20 a week there as a non registered clerk? If this could be so and Sally could find something on the railroad, I figure it would be much better than risking all with the responsibility of a store. In the meanwhile we could look around & see what is what. If something turns up that looks good, we can open the store. Dear, I want you to ask Pinstein just what a paper of recipraunty is — what would it give me the right to do. I have thought it over, and think it ought to give me the same rights as a registered clerk there — does it? or does I have to take the board? Just what is it look? If, dear heart, things can not be arranged otherwise we will open the store, and you can rest assured I will do all in my power. The fact is that I want to be as sure and as careful as possible with Mom's money & for that reason think it

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will not make quite a hole in our account. Lehrks registers are commencing about 25 to 40 a week here. Do you see, love, what that would mean in the beginning. Let me know just what you think about it all. Mum dear, also asked me to have you talk it over with Uncle Morris, and see what he advises. This means, I suppose, simply not to ignore him & to give him the respect of an elder brother. Mum is quite happy over it all, and dear so am I, for it will be the most wonderful change for him, & for the best. For Rose, too, because, as I told her she will meet different people, and with you and I shall see to it that she meets the right kind - not like those she has heretofore - such as Hon. B. Lee and his lordship Lutz. There, too, I am very, very much afraid that they will never allow Zeida across, and in that case he would be as happy as a child to go down to Memphis and still be able to stay with Mum dear. Try, however, to arrange things with Heinlein, all along the line that I have just told you, and see what can be done.

About the furniture Mum will let us have the large case & the table and I think a washing. The chairs, she will need as you know she will ship everything south if only it does not cost too much. I told her about the Regaan's furniture and she was pleasantly surprised. Even Ida would be alright Mum says. Now love, I will have to await developments and if Mum is coming down soon, I will learn all the furniture came down together, as it will be much cheaper for us. What do you think? is it the trunk, the other or you have is plenty good enough - but I think it will not be large enough. Mum suggests, before we thought of her coming down so soon, that I pack everything in a large packing case - so dear, I am at a loss as what to do. I think perhaps that you send the trunk as I shall need a trunk for my clothes at least and anything that does not get in the trunk, I can either carry or ask Mum to have it go along with

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Now, Lesley, I see absolutely no necessity for borrowing this. I am selling my Liberty bond and can get about $40 for it which will cover my expenses for travelling. So you see honey, I will be able to manage, and will use the strictest economy where I can, so everything, I am sure will come out alright on that score. Thanks, love, greatly, — but I see no reason for borrowing just now. I hope - never.

I expect that I will soon get my vacation, at least, I hopeless. You asked how I made out on that Sunday that I stayed away — the Sunday following Faye's wedding. Well, dear, they made a terrible fuss over it, particularly Mrs. Drake. He was going up to see Dr. Otterbein & what not. I had not been feeling very well during the week — nothing serious, slight headache. Mrs. Swallow knowing this, as he let me in my room laid down several times was sick and told them all what he thought of them. That particular Sunday, it rained terribly hard all day — & all the work amounted to, was 1 books! Think of making a fuss over 7 books! I, of course, was furious, and told Mrs. Swallow that I was going to take my vacation now. Mrs Swallow said, "Why, don't you?" And then after talking it over, she said, "Get all you can out of the hospital . . get your 2 weeks vacation, and while you are away get a Dr. certificate saying you are ill and need 2 weeks more". You see, I told her after all that fuss, I was going to leave as soonas possible in that way it made it easy for me to break the ice. I did not tell her definitely that I would back in May, but when I came back — and believe me I take that month if I can possibly get it — I just resign. Mrs. Swallow has been acted nicely, but, of course, I never know just how long he will continue to feel and act as he does. Has he written to Sam & what was in it he will take the relief, but it is now two weeks and he has not answered. Conclusions are exploded on the outside — pretty hard, and I am sure that it will be Sam & just to find Sam & out to fill my place. He wants a change, as the work is rather heavy now — she are very busy. Sam & spoke to Emanuel about it and he promised to look around and see if he can get Sam & out.

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As to Sunday, Mom dear will probably make some for you on Friday. If, however, she is not able to, I will get some fancy cakes from one of the pastry shops and send it to you. Yes, Lost, the wedding was an unhappy affair as far as our little family is concerned. There is a great deal to it, which I will tell you when I see you as it is too much to write. It indeed the breach between Mom dear & Aunt Rosie, and was the final test of who is a friend after all. So Lost you see that there is absolutely no one here to keep Mom dear north and the sooner she gets down south the better it will be.

I mailed you a little package, lovey dear, for your birthday. I wanted to surprise you and so did not make any mention of it before. I expect you received it by now, as I mailed it last Friday. Yes then, Lost, with my best wishes, and love. I did want to make you a nice one myself, but, honey got very little time. Some day, — I am going to make you a beaut. I hope, precious, you wear the shirts in the best of health and with the best of luck. I asked Rose about giving Mom dear a little something, but Mom said for this year they would not exchange gifts. I am going to get a box of Mark a Lifords' Glen drops as I know Mom likes them. I will bring them to her Friday night.

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I am certainly very, very happy that you passed the initiation in the Masonic order and came out alive! I'll bet it was awful hey, dear? "It must be did". and now that it is all over, I am very happy. I am really glad that you are in. It will make it nice all around for you, for me, and indirectly for Rose, too. I do hope something will come out of it, in that direction

As to the way you are going along with pancakes, precious, I simply think you are wonderful. "Did it always use to?" You should see how happy my mother is. Believe me, you sure did those exclusive hours what you are made of - and I am tickled to death. That is all I do when I am home - is talk - talk, talk about you. I sure do love your precious - so much. I'll bet more than you love me. I show the clippings you send me to everyone. Both Mr. Swallow & Mr. Wood agree with me that you have danced remarkably well. They sure are surprised how wonderfully you have come on in the short time. Nothing surprising to me, however, love.

How precious, did you spend yesterday? I did a little sewing, not much as I arrived home in the evening. We hope, precious you enjoyed yourself. Did you go out with Mr. Weinstein?

They are making big preparations for a parade along 5th Ave. to take place next week from Tuesday to Thursday. The whole of the 27th Div. is to parade. It is to be quite a holiday, to be declared a real holiday - but of course that remains to be seen. They have erected the prettiest arches and temporary monuments until 5th Ave looks swell. If I can get within 2 miles of the parade I'm going to see it. Precious, love, that you are one, too, as they say it will be something wonderful.

Dr. Vanin sent me a card, asking me to come up to have my teeth attended too. I simply can't, until I get my vacation, as you know the bridge must come out. Are you sorry you can't see your toothless spaniel? It is costing 25 - you remember I gave him 10 - so that will leave a balance of 15.

Barney, I guess, is doing very, very well. I told Nell about the remark Mr. Goldberger made, and she was tickled to death. I go over his office, before it was furnished, to keep it company, it is out of the nicest & biggest buildings.

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desk. That is all I do when I am home - is talk - talk, talk about you I sure do love you precious - so much. I'll bet more than you love me. I show the clippings you send me to everyone. Both Mr. Swallow & Mr. Wood agree with me that you have done remarkably well. They sure are surprised how wonderfully you have done in the short time. Nothing surprising to me, however, but.

How precious, did you spend yesterday? I did a little sewing, not much as to write. Came down in the evening. Do hope, precious you enjoyed yourself. Did you go out with Mr. Winston?

They are making big preparations for a parade along 5th Ave, to take place next week from Tu. morrow (Tuesday). The whole of the 79th Div. is to parade. It is to be quite a real holiday, to be declared a real holiday - but of course that remains to be seen. They have erected the prettiest arches and temporary monuments until 5th Ave looks swell. If I can get within 2 miles of the parade I'm going to see it. Do ask, love, that you may see me, too, as they say it will be something wonderful.

Dr. Vannier sent me a card asking me to come up to have my teeth attended too. I simply can't, until I get my vacation, as you know the bridge must come out. Are you sorry you can't see your toothless spouse? If it costs me 25 - you remember I gave him 10 - so that will leave a balance of 15.

Barney, I guess, is doing very, very well. I told you about the remark Mr. Goldberger made, and the miss tackler to dentist. By now his office, before it was furnished, I guess it is one of the nicest & biggest buildings.

It was rather nice of Goldberger to do what he did for you, and love, dear, see that you collect on those cards. Don't fail to do it. And love, precious, did you hear anymore about the Ed? Hope, too, precious you get it. Am happy love, that you are going along so nicely with your big case. It takes you altogether, eh? Let me know how it goes along. I am

almost sure you will get that notary Republic ship - hope so with all my heart - and L. Taylor's proposition, too. With the money from Winston's brother, and the student you have, I figured that would almost cover our rents. Mighty fair, what do you say, love? Oh precious, talk about happy, the certainly will be, and dear, you will see how nicely we will get along financially. The time is surely drawing nearer and nearer - and that keeps me very, very happy. I do so want to be with you, to have you look long & kiss me. Will, you, precious, — or, er — have you lost me so much?"

I shall close now, darling, and do hope you can read this. Do you have an difficulty reading what I write on this paper? You see, I want to write you as big a letter as possible in as small a tidy size as I can. Excuse me, precious a big, big, big, big — big long letter, will you love? With all my love, hugs, and kisses to my precious love tidy I am

"Your" darlin" "wife"

Frances

P.S. Kiss my regards to Uncle Morris & Mr. Solomon. Go to Mr Lazaar & do hope love, you will soon, very soon come back to your old footing. You know, love he and do his utmost to help you. He is older, love, and so, dear do not be stubborn & kindly know what to write him, under the conditions, and as soon I soon expect to meet him, I'll wait until then. If you do see Mrs. Lazaar tell her, I send her my best regards and am still very anxious to meet both her & the Mr. am very happy that you got a case from Bernardy. Every little helps, and then too, it is better to be friends than enimies. Take care of yourself dear.

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Frances.

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Frances.





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March 18, 1919.
Tuesday.

Dearest Lark (Kent): ——

This is in answer to your Saturday letter which I received late yesterday afternoon. Dear I do not understand how they distribute the mail in Penn. Normally I mail your letter early in the afternoon as near to the same time as possible, for it to be delivered so irregularly is positively bewildering. I am very sorry Lark, that it had to occur on a Saturday, as that makes it 2 days which are "mailless". I can certainly appreciate your feeling, Lark, and hope hereafter it will run more smoothly.

Your entire letter, Lark, is so pathetic and really is as blue as you felt. You know precious how much I love and long for you, and you must realize, too, for that reason I, too, suffer in this separation. But

love, the time is passing, and as I predicted, quickly. Look, dear, realize that in 6 weeks I shall be starting off to you. I will buy my utmost to leave on the 1st of May, and, dear, I am pretty sure I will. You simply have no idea, precious, how hard I am working to get as much possible done, in order that I may start and on that wonderful Thursday. Oh Lord, Lucy, that just as soon as I possibly can, I am coming down to my darling precious hubby. And then, dear, you shall kiss, love and hug me to your hearts content. — until you are tired of loving me. How long, dear, do you think that will take? Always remember, precious, that I love, love, love you, oh! so much.

Dear you are simply wonderful! £50 in 3 weeks, Lovey, that is remarkable! We will manage the summer months somehow. If L. Taylor sees fit to turn that little proposition over to you, well and good if not something else will turn up. We will manage. Honey, do you recollect the Squire advising you to see him before April 1st in reference to the Notary Republic ship? It is most time now, Love, so don't neglect it. We hope precious you get it. How about Winstein's brother? Did you make arrangements with him concerning his books?

I had been wondering whether you would remember my birthday. I was half scared you would forget all about it and afterwards I should be dreadfully hurt. Purposely I avoided making any mention about it, for I wanted to see if you did remember without having to be reminded. You know, Love, I should never remind you of that, but

if you ever forgot either my birthday or our wedding day I should love to very much hurt now, honey. I am very anxious to know what you are going to send me.

I spent last night at Carnes house & had rather a pleasant though unusual time. Met her sister, in whom I was a little disappointed, as I pictured her a little more wonderful than she is. To me she appears rather ordinary, altho of course I saw her for a short time only, and perhaps did not see her at her best as she admitted being very tired. And dear, you will be shocked & amused when I tell you that there are two others at the time, 2 Bolshevik radicals, - one is out on bail of $5,000 on charge of sedition. He escorts me back to the Hospital, and dear, must say he is one of the nicest and most educated young men that I have met. I shall tell you all about it when I am down with you, but I must say I enjoyed my self thoroughly.

Now, it is now most 3 P.M. & as yet have not received your Sunday letter which you assured me would be a big one. Hope & pray nothing is wrong. Am worried but hope I get it in the next mail.

which by the way will be the last one, I promise, for many darling precious kisses. Lots of love, hugs & kisses. Yours always, Edna Wicke.

F. Freedman

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March 19, 1917.

Precious Hubby: —

What can be the trouble that I received no mail all day yesterday and here, when I called to-day at the regular time, find there is nothing for me again! Am greatly worried, honey, and in case I do not receive any word to-day, I'm going to telegraph you. I was over exactly 8 times yesterday and there it is 12.30 & I sure have been 4 times this morning already. I am almost frantic! Called Rose up this morning but they did not have heard from you yesterday. Now, I earnestly hope nothing is wrong, I cannot think of a single thing that would cause you to skip writing and the mail coming as regularly as it does, alarms me & all the more. I am almost crazy with worry and do not know what I shall do if there is no word from you in the next mail which is 2.30 P.M. On Monday, I received your Friday & Saturday letters. Yesterday I should receive your Sunday's letter, which if it did miss the mail I should get it with your Monday letter which always was delivered on Wednesday. But it is, honey, I received neither the Sunday nor Monday letter. Love, dear, I hope, pray, that nothing is wrong. I think, dear, I'll wait until the 2.30 mail before I post this.

Honey, dear, it is now 11.30 A. M. and still no

mail. Called Rosalyn again and she tells me it has happened before that mail has been delayed 3 days. Shall follow her advice and wait until to morrow morning. Do not know how I shall get thro the night, but as Rose pointed out to me unless place & your office will be closed by the time the telegram reaches you and I shall have to wait until to-morrow anyway. Dear let me know where his home address is so in case I should need it, I shall know it.

Dear, hope and pray nothing is wrong. I am greatly worried and have been crying all afternoon.

Tearfully
Frances.

J. M. Friedman, Atty
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Memphis, Tenn.



May Happiness decend on You
on this Your Birthday
and abide with You
for all Time

March 19, 1919

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Thursday 12.45 A. M.
March 20, 1919.

Dear Dear:—

I know you will think me crazy, as this is the second time I am writing to-day. Just want to let you know how crazy the post system is. This morning I received your Monday letter after receiving no mail at all for 2 days. Now this afternoon comes your Sunday letter to gether with the one you wrote Tuesday! Can you find anything to equal that? How on earth can they get a letter mailed posted a day later before they are posted on a previous day? Now, honey, you may understand the letters I wrote you yesterday and this morning. You, as a lawyer may solve the problem, I can't! I only know I almost what below crazy those two days - Tuesday & Wednesday, particularly Wednesday.

I will write you again to-morrow, honey bun.

Take good care of yourself - especially what you eat. Also hope, love, you do not suffer anymore with headache. Never mind, it's not so much longer now before I'll cure you. Kill or cure! Laugh! That me, all over Joe. In all this excitement you got an extra letter,

eh? Well, to-morrow you are going to pay up for it cause I am only going to say Hello + Good-Bye - See! Laugh again.

Your hunky will get this & hope Saturday, so I shall express in the letter my sincere birthday wishes to you. I am certainly sorry that we are not to-gether, but the thought that the time is so near will have to cheer me up and act as an inducer to Birthday cheer.

Dear, I wish you happiness and health during the year, and, if good fortune comes along, so much the better we will be able to enjoy it, - but health, dear, good health and happiness, - a great deal of it - is what I wish my precious hubby dear. (I'm sorry I can't express it verbally + with a good hug + kiss - Shan, love, soon.

With all my love, hugs & kisses,

Your loving wifie

Frances.

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Dr. Goodhar Building,
Memphis, Tenn.

March 20, 1919.
Thursday. 9.20 A.M.

Dearest Lassy: —

I have just received your letter of Monday. Honey, I cannot describe to you the anxiety I went through Tuesday & Wednesday. I called Rose up early this morning & was relieved to know they received mail from you this morning. Honey, did you write to me Sunday? That letter is missing and caused all that mischief. I am mailing this early as I know you will be puzzled & worried after yesterdays letter. Honey, if you failed to write me Sunday — well — I shall wait until I hear whether you did or not before I tell you what I am going to do. They certainly have a hum post office system. I called up the main post office last night and asked if there was any delay

in the Lenox mail and was told "no." After that I was sure something had gone wrong, and it was all I could do to wait until the morning. I hope, dear, it never happens again, as it is enough to drive me crazy. For my dreams last night, I did not sleep, only kept dozing off. I was having fights with the carriers.

I shall, dear, keep the book and for the gift you sent me. Thank you, honey dear, and you can rest assured I'll accept it in the spirit it was sent. No matter what it is, dear, you sent it to me, and that is all I want. By now, I hope you have received my gift. Have sent you some cakes from the pastry shop as a gift from my mother. Your mother, honey, I did not think well enough after the strain she went through, to take cakes so soon. I hope you will enjoy them. My mother wanted to send you a little something, and as it turned out. I thought you would like that. Hope they do not reach you all smashed. It was kind of rose to buy and pack them for me, as you know, I get so little time to run home.

Yes, love, Helen is a dear. Expected to go up there last night, but it rained, and so may go up to-night. Have not seen the Feiler's lately, but hope to, soon.

I am afraid, honey, that that is chiefly responsible for my not receiving a letter Sunday. Hey? Oh, hey, hey! For your very last letter, which I received, that was Saturday, for wrote she

are well about you. No mail for 2 days. aha! The mystery is solved! Sherlock Holmes.

Well, dear, I have been scribbling this at the rate of a mile a minute, as I want you to get the as early as possible so that you will understand my yesterday letter. I must say I was simply frantic with worry -

Shall close now, dear, dear, with all my love, hugs and kisses. Dear Heart you hardly know how much I love you.

Your everloving wifie
Frances.

P.S. Ray has always apologized to me for not writing & giving the excuse that the baby keeps her so busy. She can-Stanly sends his regards & love to you through me, however. She'll write soon.





J. M. Freeman, Atty,

Hs Goodman Building

Memphis, Tenn

March 22, 1919

Sat. Our Birthday

Precious Hubby Love: —

Dear, I received your gifts, just as I was about to close my letter to you yesterday. The Rev. in charge of the mail, slaughtered on himself, and at the same time, Carrie came in to see me. It everything was excitement and I cannot hardly express to you what a wonderful choice you made in the selection of my gifts, both of which, dear, are lovely. I thank you for them, hubby, dear. The camera is just the thing as I will now be able to snap pictures of all the people I care for before I leave for Smith. The locket, hubby, is beautiful, and I am going to place into it your picture taken in the uniform until I get down & snap one of you. The engraving, dear, is handsome.

and the date on it, is so pretty. I must say look, you sure did display rich taste in the selection of my gifts. Thank you lady dear, so much and when I came down precious I got you, along with the rest, the kiss that you deserve for everything. That card look, is quite the handsomest I have seen - you are a dear hubby.

Listen, honey, I spoke to Norman about the trunk and she thinks it best for you not to bother sending it. It will not be large enough for everything so Norman says it is much better to ship everything in a large case. If you have'nt already sent it, wait honey, until you hear from me about it. What do you think about it?

Rose & took a walk last night. She got the pictures for Zeiden's passport. They turned out very well. Now, Norman is waiting to receive that affidavit from you, and if she can arrange it, with go downtown Monday, as Tuesday is a holiday here, owing to the big parade of the returned 27th Div. If your affidavit does not come on time, it will have to wait until Wednesday. They received bank from England, affidavits as to Zeiden's burial ground in England, and hope all this will bring about the much desired passport.

Just received a handsome card from Rose, it sure is a beauty and one from Dadie Englander. Wasn't that nice of them?

Will be on duty to-morrow. Asked Carrie if she had nothing else to do, to come down

I spend the afternoon with me. The promised me she would, and if she does come, I'd like to take a bus ride, (on the top) along v. Ok - Ave. The weather is simply wonderful now, and it would be quite a treat for me. And remember, precious, those kisses you promised with me. I'll not forget that promise.

If at all possible I'll write you that long letter to-morrow (Sunday), if not, Monday, sure. Just received dear your long letter, and am going to settle myself down to read it.

With all my love, hugs, and kisses to my precious, darling hubby. 5½ weeks more love, till I start, & then!

Everlovingly
Your Wifie

F. Freedman

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March 21, 1919.

Precious Hubby Lost: —

Have just received your wonderfully beautiful card, and your letter of Wednesday. Your card dear, is certainly the prettiest I have ever seen, and love. I thank you very much for it. I do wish, love, that I were with you, - I do so long for you, especially when it comes to such days. We would certainly be happy in the celebrations of our birthdays. As yet, love, I have not received the package you sent me - but do hope it comes to morrow. In your letter precious, you make no mention of the shirts I sent you last Friday. Surely you have received them by now, but dear in case you haven't, let me know, as I had the receipt in having it insured.

To-day is simply wonderful and do not know whether I can lay the cause of my happiness there or not. But, somehow, precious, I do feel so happy. Six weeks to-morrow, love, what does that mean? It means everything in the world to me, it means you. dear, the time is getting shorter, yet it is still so far away! This morning I filled out my leave by absence slip for a vacation, starting April 1st, and turned it into mr. Steele. He must consult Dr. O'Hanlon about it, and now that the ball is started rolling, I expect I shall

soon know definately what. It is already rumored that I will soon be leaving to join you. I manage how people know all about your business as well, if not better, than you yourself. I have not told a soul yet that I intend leave no when.

Was up to see Ray last night. I don't know what I shall ever do with Helen when I come South. I don't want to start in to rave about her, as I shall never leave off. But there never was such a baby before! Never! I made Ray promise to have her picture taken soon. Ray sends her regards and love to you and apologizes for not answering your letter. She will soon, however, — as that baby sure does keep her time well occupied.

Will run up to Mavis to-day. For her birthday I'll nice shop at York & Tilford and get a nice box of big grapes which I know she is fond of. I'll not make any mention of her birthday as I do not want her to feel Pop's absence more than possible. You must have been happy after dreaming so pleasantly of Nap. Am happy I got your mailed man a card.

You know precious, I am not keeping to my promises. I promised a short letter for to-day, didn't I? And after the tiny stuffy penny letter I got this afternoon, I don't know why I didn't, keep to my promise, except perhaps, because I love you so, so much.

How are your headaches, Love? Take care of yourself, dear? How did business go this week? Hope to your entire satisfaction.

With all love, hugs & kisses

your loving wife,

Frances.

I have your last love, love, last Jan. You are most wonderful, Love, to send me such a present. So I'll close now, and write more again to-morrow. Thanks, precious, for your kind,

Precious Love. Just now got your package. Love dear, You are a wonder. Am sure gift.

your gift is certainly wonderful. It is handsome. You sure have wonderful taste.

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March 23, 1919.
Sunday.

Precious Hubby, dear: —

Am starting this early, on my week hour, so that I can manage to get this letter & big long one off to you today. Am I not a kind loving considerate wife to save you an extra days wait for a big fat letter? always. I am thinking and scheming how to make you feel happy until we are together again. There is nothing more wonderful than to be happily married to find in each other a strong lasting amiable love, kindness, consideration and companionship. All this, love, spells happiness in large letters - and dear, I continually pray for this happiness to last ~~till~~ for ever. I am sure dear, that if only we are spared until years ~~and~~ our life together will be ideal and wonderfully happy. I never knew there could exist the strong love I have for you; and dear, I am positive it is returned in an equal measure. You asked me why did I send you the shirts? why - well, for no other reason than because I love you and wanted you to have them. I am pleased that you like them and dear, wear them in the best of health. Did you get the cake I mailed you? In what condition did you get them and when? I hope you get them Saturday at the latest, as I am afraid if delivered Monday, they will hardly be fit to eat. Did I tell you that my mother & father sent their best wishes & heartiest congratulations along with the cake? Pop is continually asking for you as is extremely happy to hear the good news of how you are getting along. Things are going along very nicely with Pop, at least the love; now things are beginning to clean up. The season is over now, or almost over, and you know what that means. He has, however, been doing remarkably well, everything considered. He drew between $50 & $60 a week, but I do not have to tell you, how hard he had to work for it. I am happy that things have slackened up a bit, now he can have the rest that is imperative - but, of course, Pop don't feel that way about it. How I am writing to my hubby yet? Yes, honey, if you haven't, already done so.

How love, are you spending your Sunday? And how did you spend your Birthday? For me, there was the same old routine except, while I get them ordinarily a quarter of 8 I had to stick them until 8.30, as the clinics were late and big. Believe me I felt

to death - the

...not for a big fat letter? Always. I am thinking and planning how to make you feel happy until we are together again. There is nothing more wonderful than to be happily married to find in each other a strong lasting sincere love, kindness, consideration and companionship. All this, love, spells happiness in large letters - and dear, I continually pray for this happiness to last ~~for~~ ~~us~~ forever. I am sure dear, that if only - we are spared until years ~~one~~ like together will be ideal and wonderfully happy. I never knew there could exist so strong love & trust for you, and dear, I am positive it is returned in an equal measure. You asked me why did I send you the shirts? Why - well, for no other reason than because I love you and wanted you to have them. I am pleased that you like them and dear, wear them in the best of health. Did you get the cakes Mom sent you? In what condition did you get them and when? I hope you get them Saturday at the latest, as I am afraid if delivered Monday, they will hardly be fit to eat. Let me tell you that my mother & father sent their best wishes & heartiest congratulations along with the cakes. Pop is continually asking for you as it is extremely happy to hear the good news of how you are getting along. Things are going along very nicely with Pop, at least they have, now things are beginning to liven up. The season is now on, or almost over, and you know what that means. He has, however, been doing remarkably well, everything considered. He drew between $50 & $60 a week, but I do not have to tell you, how hard he had to sweat for it. I am happy that things have slackened up a bit, now he can have the rest that is imperative - but, of course, Pop does not feel that way about it. Have you written to my folks yet? No, honey, if you haven't, already, have so.

How love, are you spending your Sunday? And how did you spend your Birthday? For me, there was the same old routine except, while I get there ordinarily a quarter of 8 I had to stick until 8:30, as the clinics were late and big. Believe me, I'll be tickled to death when I say "Good Bye Miller inc." Same, everything was as usual on a Friday night. - Rose & Ruth bought Mom a box of candy Friday night and no mention was made as to Birthday. Finally I showed Mom the pretty gifts you sent me, and she liked

and wished me everything well, we both had our little cry and made no more mention of it. Mom is feeling a good deal better, and I have talked it over with both Mom and a very clever lady doctor that we have here, and Mom will come down one of these days and have this look her over. She needs a good tonic to build her up. And once she gets down to Memphis there is not a doubt but what she will pick up. Now that there has been that disagreement with Sadie Rosie she thinks about that and is up with her all the more. All around the best thing would be for them all to go down South Soon.

I think, too, dear that perhaps I had better go down & see whats whats - especially when it comes to opening a drug store. I sure do wish that they could come down to - get on with me, but a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. I assure hardly like to see Mom suffer for the want of anything when she get down there. Rose tells me that beginning with May she will get an increase of $20 a month. We all thought the office was on its last legs, and ready to break up; but this Mr. Hicks assured her it was not so - was willing, in fact, to bet her $ on it, and then assured her of her increase. I sure thought Rose could get $20, even as a non registered clerk as registered men here are commanding between $25 to $30, some even $40. If, as you say, Rose cannot get that, I should certainly not let Mom go down. The opening of a store, bye, I should use as a last resort as I do not like to see Mom's "all" invested. It is a terribly risky, responsible, ticklish proposition, and certainly not a thing to rush into pell mell and blindly. If only Rose could become registered I suggested to her to see if she can't connect up to a hospital position. They usually pay fairly well, when all its advantages are considered such as meals and the work, usually, is rather light. Now of course, all this requires her registration in that state. Have you yet precisely found out what a reciprocity paper is? So, then, must we let the matter rest until I come down? I guess perhaps that would be the best, although I had earnestly hoped we would all come down to-gether &

how that there has been that disagreement with Faulk' Rosie, she thinks about that and it upsets her all the more. All around the best thing would be for them all to go down South soon.

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bare as this, how anxious Mom is to go down, and soon. I hope they all won't be long in following me.

Now, dear, about our home! Nothing is new. Mom's coming down is indefinate as to the time it will take. Last night, when talking it over with Mom, this is what I suggested. Since you said it is very difficult to get a 3 room apt. with bath, I thought for the time being, to only take the 2 rooms - viz bedroom & kitchenette. This would do for the summer months, - and help keep the expenses down. Then in fall, Mom would come down with all her furniture; we could find other rooms, either in the same house with room, sort of a 2 family house, or even near each other, as the case may be, and then we could move. This would save us, I figure a lot of money; first, in the buying of the library furniture, and secondly the shipping being all in one would stand us cheaper, and thirdly, our moving expenses would be less, as it would only be 2 small rooms. What do you think, precious? Of course, we would be handicapped without a living room, yet. Surely, it is the keeping down of expenses that my practical eye is looking at. So think it over, precious, and you, who are there, is really the best judge of what's best. In one of your previous letters you mention getting a stove for our kitchenette. Now, do you mean a coal stove? If you were thinking of that precious, don't get it, for the summer months they are practically useless, gas only being used. You don't you know this, and referred to a gas range. For the time being, love, I would suggest just the latter gas arrangements, connected by a gas hose, for cooking. So dear, I figure we may soon have to move into larger quarters, especially if we start with 2 rooms; and then, when we are satisfactorily and comfortably settled, we can get all these nice necessities. I was particularly happy to read, how anxious you are to have things so nice for me when I come down, and know dear, your efforts to take me to a home as cozy as it is within your power to make, makes me love you so, that it is torture to be separated from you. The

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Mr. Knowles, one day, when I was reading your letters, remarked to me that I was fortunate than most people. When I asked him why, he answered that I was having 2 romances and now when I go down South I shall be having my second honeymoon. But I told him I expected my life would be all a continuous single honeymoon and when I was fortunate, why, in having such a wonderful hubby. "Without thinking or nuthin. I just said it. I mean, it's true, all over."

Now, Louis, dear, I can see there is a conspiracy against me. You and another woman planning about me. Another woman in the case. Eh? I noticed you when you mention this party you underline the she! And you tell me you want to surprise me? Well, dear, I'll tell you, after that I am ready to see & hear anything. Mr. says my hunt is strong. So go ahead, and surprise your surprise. After that I can stand anything - anything! I suppose the she is the lady of the 100 case? Right? Oh, I am sank Sherlocko, alright, alright! How much did you say your device fee is - 15 % strangers - or, just a minute, was it 10? Well, for your own wife, you ought to do it for 1.99. Ally one thing precious, let me know in advance so I can, with the remarkable, cast my eye on the young men ranging from 80 to 100 yrs. old, with a kitten back roll tucked away. Somewhere

Lovey, don't get too much lead on taken liniment, as I expect, I'll take some down with me, or else I'll have the money to get it with. Mom, I think, is going to give me take & bed linen, as that, she says, I am entitled to have. I tried mom not to be so foolish, as it does not mean me, it means all three of us, and that is quite a sum of money. I suggested that mom take that money and get something nice for herself or, if she would rather, settle off a debt. But mom insists, if there any debts do it, she will do it. I really do not see the sense of it, as you know how hard Dad works, & each of us girls can get along in that regard, alright with what we can manage to buy. I am

them that room gave me, and they are practically new. They will suffice for the time being and when the money comes in, we can get more.

I suppose that swap that you gave me calls for one from me. Well, I don't exactly call that a swap, as you see the she that saw my picture, was only trying to make you feel good and could hardly judge anything about me from a picture. I really think I ought to have another one besides that. But, since I can not be taken with a precious hubby like you, I'll give you one the one in return. Mrs. Lippman was fairly raving about you at Faye's wedding, and told me that you would succeed, (only repeating my words, of course) as you had the brains, and because you were sincere and honest. Everyone spoke well of you at the wedding, and many were disappointed not to see you there. Is the swap that you gave me - er - er - from that two women? Strikes me you are - well, er - rather very er - friendly with her. Is she - ahem! one of the little ones that kiss you now that you are big?

Well, honey, how did business go this week? Any more big cases? anything new? How much did you make this week? Don't forget to keep me posted. We hope you get that $60 soon and there's much, it'll come in mighty handy. We hope you clear $40 out of your big case.

Bill is leaving on the 8th of April. Honey, she tells me took in $82 in 7 weeks. That sure is dandy, isn't it? I hardly can leave precious before the 1st of May. First, because I have counted on that money & secondly, because I must have my teeth taken care of, & that, as you know, will have to take place during my vacation. Then I have so much to do yet, that I couldn't, love as much as I want to be with you, - it would simply be impossible. Besides, both your mother & mine want to spend Pesach at their homes. I shall feel terribly hurt over the fact that we will not be together over our first pass

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and I really feel that all things taken in consideration, I ought to follow out our original plans. I will buy my ticket & pullman for my vacation that will be about 2 or 3 weeks before I leave. Give me all the necessary information as to what to do, such as checking my baggage etc, as you know I am positively green in such things. When in the Station & how do I check my baggage? Will do as you suggest & carry a grip with the things I think necessary and important. Will aim for a lower birth, and am sure I will get it, if I buy it so far in advance. Such conversation does make it seem near, doesn't it, Lark?

As you know, Thursday here is a holiday, and for a wonder the dispensary will be closed. This is my holiday as but since it is not a legal holiday, I am going to beat it & stay home. Don't suppose Wednesday morning! We are having the time of our lives to get a relief to take my place. No one wants to work for that money! Think of it & it is almost $ more than I am getting! Carrie was down yesterday, and I shamed her around, in case no one else will take it, she will, for the time of my vacation. I told her to give it a trial, and if she does like it, to stick on to it, after I leave. It is rather hard, but still she may like it. I should certainly like to see either she or Ada in my place, for it has a great many advantages. for, and for Ada, it would mean a nice good clean home. Have not heard from her, since I answered her letter. In my application for vacation I stated April 1st as the day I want to start, that will bring me back on the 16th as I am entitled to 15 days. Then if I put in sick leave for 1 week, I shall only have one week more to work before I quit forever.

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Now I realize why I didn't get any mail for 2 days on account of the terrible storm. I purposely called up the large post office and asked if there was any delay from Texas. & he told me "No". I explained that there was an important letter due me, 2 days ago, and all the satisfaction I got was there was "no delay." Isn't that an outrage? I really do think it terrible. I see, if I did go ahead & telegraph. I should have scared you to death, and you wouldn't know what on earth could have happened. And then my sad, I must crazy, and positively, only that Rose Strang assures me I'd wait until the morning, I should have worried you & sat up all night waiting for an answer. Of course I would get out as I suppose both your place & uncle's close about 6, don't they? So, in that case it would be one morning before I heard from you, and by that time I would be sure something was wrong. I told Mr. Swalow, that if things were not satisfactorily explained, "I was going to pack my grip and take the trip" I am happy, though sorry, that you have a rainy day outfit. It did rain all day, here, too, that Sunday.

Listen, dear, if you want to have some fun next Rosh ask her how "Leslie" is. But of your cousins from Canada wrote a personal letter to Rose. This is Aunt Rachel's son, I believe, the one who was to be married before Passover, and the one to whose wedding they wanted Zelda to be present. In it he told her of his desire to correspond with her, how anxious he is to come to America, how he sympathizes with her in breaking off her engagement, as he, too, has just passed through that, as he broken off his. He also says he envies you in the success you have made, as he has heard how well you have done. Talk teasing her. - We sure did have fun. She says, for the 3rd time now she has cleaned the drawer of her dresser to

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is that there is always the letter L in the case. She says that they'll all drive her to "L." It pleases he so popular, what do you say?

Well, dear, I have written all together, for 3 hours. Let me know how long it took you to read it. I figure 1/2 hour. at the least. Now, precious, it took me 2 1/2 minutes to read your terribly big long letter — so in the next one you write, please pay me back the 2 1/2 minutes worth that you stole out of. Hear? And don't fill it up with any of that she stuff either. Jealous. Now, that's me all over. So mysterious anyhow. I guess you want me to go around pulling my hair out crying I wonder with what kind she women he is with now. Oh, Joey, Joey, I got your number.

Mrs. Lazaar gives her very best regards. When I come down we will patch up things with the "old man". Remember me, too, to Mrs. Winston, + Mr. Solomon. Best regards to Mrs. Morris, who by the way, you simply have to live up to his promise of buying the bed, hear? Take him with you when you buy the furniture.

Well, honey, my arm sure is tired, and I do hope you can read this scribbly. If you can, show it to She, give her my regards, too.

Will close now, love, happy in the thought that I shall soon be with you. I do wish for the time to come!

In the meanwhile dear, I'll send you loads and loads of hugs, kisses and my deepest love. Answer with a nice big long letter, will you? Perhaps dear you ought to write me your big letter on Sunday

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March 24, 1919.
Monday:—

Dear Heart -

I wear the Locket all the time. When on duty I put it on my uniform + when I go out on my suit. It looks very pretty on both. Forgot to tell you that your mother + I and my brother think it very pretty. Have not used the camera as I have not had the opportunity to; worked yesterday + Sunday.

Dearest Lovie: —

Received your darling letter of Friday this morning. Dear, you sure are a precious. Lucky hubby, and how you? Why, dear, I simply idolize you, which, honey, is simply what you deserve. Precious. I am simply counting the days and wishing so hard for them to pass over, so that I can be with you, "my lil" ole Hubby". When I do come home we will see who calls quit first, when it comes to hugs + kisses. Then, sure, that will settle who loves the best - And believe me it won't be me, either, that will call quit. Yeah! I've been without them too long.

In the letter, dear, you enclosed here I like the locket. Dear, as I told you, I think it beautiful. You have no idea how pretty the pictures look in it. It holds such a nice size picture and I can put four pictures into it. Just now, I have the one of you taken in your uniform and one of mom + pop snapped last summer. Sure does look nice. As to the camera, honey you couldn't have picked out a more appropriate gift. I have never had a camera, and wanted one so badly. It takes quite a nice size picture 2½ x 3½, I think. It collapses so small, too, dear, and I am just happy over the 2 gifts that you, my darling precious hubby sent me. You sure did

an excellent taste when you bought them. The engraving is handsome and the date on the face of it is so novel. I have never seen one that I thought so pretty. When I opened up the letter envelope, I thought it was a strap to hang the camera on, so that it could be worn over the shoulder. You have absolutely no idea how surprised and pleased I was when I unwrapped it. You are dear, a precious dear, and you just wait until I come down & see how hard I am going to bite you once. That is one of the reasons I must have my teeth taken care of. Thank you love, for the good wishes you sent along with the gift.

Don't worry, dear, about our week's intake when it is not what you expect it. We manage along somehow. Just as you say, one week good, the next perhaps a little bad, but in the long run it averages up nicely. We will know, that from the good week we must put away for the bad one, and so, until the regulate themselves into a nice big practice we will manage alright. Leave it to me, honey, I'll bet you I'll squeeze a dollars worth out of a dollar bill. I do hope love, that you get the voting Republicship as that will help a little; also practice proposition.

Did not see Carrie yesterday as she was sick. Don't worry dear, about that Malsheck, for when he asked me when he could see me again, I told him I was leaving town shortly. Ha ——!

Took a run up home in the evening as Ray came down to roomie with the baby. She sure is a wonder and I am going to snap pictures of her just as soon as I get a chance, and I'll send it off to you to see for yourself. I keep telling Ray that when I leave N. Y. I am going to kidnap her and believe me, I wish I could get away with her. Some chance when Ray is her mother I can tell you.

Am looking forward to that big letter to-morrow. Oh honey, I dem it! Hope I get it in the first mail as to-morrow is a holiday

I think will only be one mail. I am also hoping it comes in all my love, kisses & hugs to my darling precious honey dear.

Yours endearingly, xxxxxxx

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March 4th, 1919.
Tuesday,

Dearest Love Heart:—

Have just returned from seeing the parade, and believe me, I am tired. Was up at 4th ave at 8 a.m. to reserve standing room on the sidewalk. Don't mind, dear, the parade was delayed because the mist was so big that they had finally to march the soldiers & aheast. The decorations were magnificent. I did not remain for the entire thing as after awhile I got tiredout. I dined at 1 o'clock in afternoon

leaving so early, I did not get your big Sunday letter. Gosh, I sure did hate to go for that reason. Rec'd late yesterday afternoon your Saturday letter in which you answered about the trouble I had with your Tuesday & Wednesday letters. Love, dear, by now I guess it is all explained, and due to that terrible storm, and honey, I am certainly sorry that I upset you so much. But honey dear, you can hardly realize how worried I was. I hope I never have any occasion to use your mother's home address, for I never want any more trouble like that, again.

Being so terribly tired, love, I am going to draw the letter to a close, now, and hope, precious you won't mind. I'll do better to-morrow. I do wish that you were here now, the weather is simply glorious and to have a nice long walk with you, that truly would be wonderful.

With all my love, love & kisses I

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With all my love, hugs & kisses,

Ever, Your loving wife

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Wednesday

Sweetheart (Hubby): ——

Rec'd this morning your two letters the one of Sunday, and Monday's. Was disappointed — Sunday's letter as I expected a big one, — that is what you wrote in your Thursday + Friday's letter. Why didn't you write me a nice big long one? Have not received the souvenir book you wrote that you sent from the Masonic Lodge. I wonder what could have happened to it, — surely it ought to be here by now.

Am certainly alarmed about your Stomach. Certainly you must eat, and eat, heavy as simple wholesome food as you can get. Then if your stomach still bothers you, take after each meal, or if you find that too many, take one

after breakfast & one after supper, one of those 3 Gr. Cascara tablets. Do that will you honey, and I am sure that you will find it to help you wonderfully. Take care of yourself, precious, dear, until I come down, will you? And I am sure if you do as I tell you, you will feel much better and avoid a lot of unpleasant suffering. Let me know daily how you are feeling. As to myself, am feeling fine, — foot is OK - getting so fat you won't know me.

Listen honey as I have already written you don't send the trunk if you haven't already done so.

Am sure proud of you, honey, dear, and particularly proud when I saw that clipping. Let me know how you made out in it. Do not understand, however, why you must loan $10.00. But believe me, the money will come in mighty handy, alright.

Have heard nothing more about my vacation. If I see Mr. Stone today, I am going to ask him about it. If, however, I don't get it by the 15th I'll say I have an sick leave for 2 weeks, & I can only procure a doctor certificate. I mean to get those 2 weeks, as I know I am entitled to it. Have done very little lately, as I found so little time in which to do anything. Expect, however, to accomplish a lot during my vacation. Finished today & quit and the following day, where am I going? Listen, dear, Nell tells me that if I give notice 24 hrs. advance to my leaving, I can have the trans. fer on in Penn. Depot. call for my trunk. packing case Is this a better way to ship it, — for in that case I can

pretty well depend on them. I don't want to have the trouble you had.

In the Evening Edna, Nell & my self, went to the Palace, but found such a crowd there we came all the way back, and went to the Colonials. Saw rather a decent picture. In the Hearst News they showed the parade that had taken place earlier in the day. Talk about quick work! I shall never be able to describe to you the rush that turned out to see that parade. The papers say there were between 2 & 3 million people there. I believe it & think that 3/4 of them picked out the same block that I did. It happened to be surrounded by rather a nice set of people, and our lovely couple shared out with some of their dainty lunch which they took along. They came all the way from Delaware Watergap.

I shall close my letter with all the hugs & kisses & pussies to the dearest Hubby — all the world. Everlasting Thanks.

Jan 1 Dear Hubby — I received your sweet letter this morning. Yesterday I was very busy all day long. I went to the Dressmaker's & then to the Hairdresser's & then I went to see Mrs. Hunt. She was very glad to see me. She is a very nice woman. I like her very much. She is very kind to me. I will write you a long letter tomorrow. I am very sorry that you have a cold. I hope you will get well soon. I am very glad that you like your new job. I hope you will get a raise soon. I am very glad that you are getting along so well. I hope you will get well soon. I am very glad that you are getting along so well. I hope you will get well soon. I am very glad that you are getting along so well. I hope you will get well

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F. M. Freedman, Adv.
to- Goodman Building,
Memphis, Tenn.

March 27, 1919.

Thursday: —

Precious Hubby, dear: —

Rec'd your precious letter of Tuesday. They sure have some delivery system down South. You should have gotten my long Sunday letter, on Tuesday. Suppose though you got it Wednesday.

You asked me in my letter whether I still took you as much as I did? Don't know, honey, — ! Hope! Should remember how much I missin" you before much! I sure do know how much now! And you know, too, don't you, honey, how much I love you. But you didn't tell me if you love me very, very much. Only a little bit, eh?

One thing honey, in that Kipper case, even if you didn't hand that particular case, you have his promise for the rest of his business. Hope, honey, it

comes in soon and strong. You should have told him he don't know little Bessie as you do; otherwise he would never say he would loan him money if he needed it. Gosh I sure do despise that fellow! Hope, dear, you won't renew your aquaintance with him. For one thing, I shall never tolerate him.

Will do as you suggested about the grip. I'll use that one with the straps on, that you had. Must be nice and large and ample to take along, besides underclothing and toilet articles, etc. a few dresses or so, in order that I can wash up and change into something clean when I get there. I expect I'll be a regular nigger when I get off the train. So, dear, you know, look for a dark one big and black, and you shall be sure of finding me.

Sadie Englander & Rose came down to the hospital last evening. Sadie wanted me to show her something on the scarf, I am teaching her to embroider. I showed them about the hospital, showing them as much as I could as most of the places were closed by that time. I happened to bump into one of the lady doctors I know, who is in the maternity ward, and asked her if she minded showing us there that ward. Well, she did, showed us everything. We saw the tiny babies, some just born, others several days & a week or 10 days old. They looked too darling for anything in cribs, having a blue or pink bow on the top. It was real interesting as she showed us there the entire place, & Sadie & Rose were delighted. She told us there are on

the average of 100 babies a month delivered by her daily. It looked it, too, as the entire ward was so crowded that they had to put up cribs beds wherever they could only find room. She showed me a pair of twins. They were so tiny. She also wanted me to come up any time I pleased and if I cared to, she would allow me to see the entire operation. I just jumped at the offer but Rose & Sadie told me I would be foolish to go. Perhaps they are right as the suffering the patients undergo might frighten me too much. From there we went into the children nose & throat ward. We did not stay long, as it was getting rather late.

First rec'd room, the Souvenir book you sent me. Can you beat that? It's very pretty. Shall close now, with all my love hugs & kiss to my darling precious hubby.

Everlovingly
Frances.

Kindly excuse Envelope. Had no other than the scrap.



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Memphis, Tenn.

WRITING ROOM

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Friday. —

Dear Hubby. —

You no doubt are wondering why the stationery, & I'll tell you why. Because I am so stupid, — that's the reason. I wrote to you earlier in the day, and put your letter into my drawer instead of out. One of the doctors' wife came down with the man chink to take her hubby back to his office as the weather out is frightful; cold wet snow, which melts as it falls and the result is a wet miserable cold slush all over the ground. She offered to drive me up to 14th St

sunbury, which of course delighted me. In my hurry to get off, I left half of the things I had laid out to take with me in the drawer. Among them was your letter. I do hope it was in the drawer I left them & not on the counter as the letter I rec'd from you to-day was with it. That is Enough! I will drop the other letter just as soon as I get in to-morrow morning. I'm sorry honey, but you should worry, you are in another letter again this week. And here I waited all week for Friday when I expected such a big fat one — and what did I get? Such a tiny stingy wingy one. But to-morrow! Gosh! that will be the day, eh?

Just did some shopping. Fourty nine cents worth. Not in this store either. Bought a collar & cuff set in one of the Stores near by. Some reckless wife you have, eh? I spent all that money in one place without a prick of the conscience. Hardened! That's me all over.

Rather like this paper. Think I'll take some with me as I am running rather low on paper, and Rose refuses to let

me have some of hers. I'll tell you honey she is getting something awful. I suppose she wants it to write it "Leslie" on. Nothing like making a good impression. Good handwriting and good paper. What could be better?

Have canned this Sunday with nonsense. Now shall tell you how much I love you which is not nonsense. Love you heaps & heaps — bunches & bunches. With all my love, hugs & kisses, I'll say "au Revoir".

Your loving wifie

Toots





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March 28, 1919.
Friday.

Dearest Hubby: ——

Was so disappointed when I picked up your letter of Wednesday. Expected to find a big fat one. Never minded, tho', I have that to look forward to, and sure do hope to get it to-morrow. Don't know how I can wait and walk for that big letter and then to be disappointed! —well, that's awful really. But seems before my letters, every time, Lovey. So I am satisfied to wait until to-morrow.

To-day, usual Friday weather is miserable. Snow & cold! Everyone had already forgotten all about winter, gardens dug up, seeds sowed, the grass green, bushes & trees budding, and then comes a frost and heavy snow &

mips everything. It was quite a surprise last night to have rained frightfully and I was wondering whether it was raining down in town, too. Was it?

I hope to start on my vacation on Tuesday, if all goes as I plan. Carrie is going to stand relief for me. You would hardly believe how hard or rather impossible it is to get anyone now. Were it not for Carrie, I could not go. No one will even consider or think of it. Mr. O'Hanlon, Mr. Hare, Mr. Swallow, Everyone in fact take it for granted that I am soon leaving or else they ask the question, why take her vacation now? That plan of sick leave following my vacation is impossible I think, as under the circumstances they would immediately suspect it may cause me to lose 1/2 or a months salary. I will accomplish what I can in the two weeks, then come back for two weeks & then _____

I will give notice one week before I go. I have so much to do honey, that honestly, I don't know how I am going to get through with it. If it turns out now, Nell will be leaving on the 8th - & of course, She, too, will have so much to do, that we will just about be in each others way & accomplish nothing. However, if I find no other way out, I can up it. Give twelve hours' leave to see until Nell gets everything done. I therefore can manage between the two of us, and we will get through somehow. It seems a pity that our last few days should be spent in rush and hurry, don't it?

The time will soon show how short it is getting. I fancy the last week will fly, because I shall have to buy the finishing touches then such as hat & shoes etc. - Then the packing and the good byes all around. Lord! I really don't know how I shall manage it. I dread it think of it. But, Lord, after all of it — to whom, who will I be with? eh, honey? Are you happy now?

Will run up to town this afternoon, as I will not do any shopping owing to the weather. Now, see that you get that affidavit of Geddes sent as quickly as possible. Now, dear did you make out in that case that interruption my letter? Anything to it?

With all my love, hugs & kisses to my darling precious hubby dear, I'll close as Ever.

Lovingly.

Now, precious is your Toots.

I remark bird you do as I told you to & Have you are feeling alright. Take care of yourself, dear





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March 29, 1919.

Saturday. —

Dearest Hubby: —

The Evallon mailed the letter that I left in the dispensary, directly after I left so hurry. I guess you got the 2 at one time. Just received your big letter hurry. It is a wonder and will answer it on Monday. Am looking forward to your other one, I hope to get it this afternoon.

The weather has become terribly cold & the wind is powerful. This is certainly worse than any day we have had yet during the entire winter. No "Spring, Gentle Spring" weather, believe me! It was so bad last night that we persuaded Zeider not to go to school. Ernest

weather alright.

Honey I don't know when I am going to start on my vacation & so do not know how to advise you to send your mail to me. Just as soon as I know definately I'll let you know. In the meanwhile send it as usual to the dispensary. After that, barley, send it to my mother's house as I will stay there. It is positively disgusting the way they dilly dally over that vacation. Just now they don't know if this Clinic will be capable to accomodate enough, and it is almost impossible to get any one else. Of course until someone takes my place, Dr. Hanlon will not approve the application. Hope something turns up soon, so that I can get away as near the first of April as possible.

Mom is feeling fairly well again. Expected to have her down to the clinic this afternoon but owing to the weather, it is impossible. If I am still here on Tuesday, I will try to arrange to have Mom come down, as I hardly think the weather will keep up like this very long. Mom asked for you to please send those applications of Zeiders as quickly as possible, as Mom wants to see what can be done. Zeider is very restless, and wants to have the thing settled. Write such letter that Mama receives from you. Zeider patiently waits to hear about those affidavits.

and when there is nothing to tell him his disappointment is terrible. So, honey, see to it as quickly as you can, will you?

Must say now that I think you have done wonderfully well last month. Try to save as much as you can precious. I do know how hard it is, for I realize how everything must cost you. If only we could be sure of a monthly income like that, why we would soon be on easy street. Eh? Honey, I am sure it will all come in due, reasonable time.

How, precious is your tummy? We hope it is not bothering you, is it? I am feeling O.K.

Shall close with all my love, hugs & kisses and with the assurance that I shall soon. Very soon, be with my Sweetheart Lovingly when I long. So much. Lovingly Frances.

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Dearest Heart Hubby: —

I'll try my best to write a decent long letter but honey, right opposite me is Helen crooning and waving her arms in delight. Lord! Joe! Where is there another baby like her? She's wonderful

What have you been doing today, honey? We hope, honey, you had a good time. Have all your good bachelor sports - for on Tues & Sunday from to-day, your slave wife will be there - and then !! No more good times - all by yourself anymore. The time sure does begin to look short, doesn't it, hubby dear?

Have been receiving visitors since P.M. when Sy's sister Rose, her husband and little Betty came. Besides that my cousin Barney (Sy's brother) and his wife came, - Bertha (Edna's friend) her sister, brother & father also paid us a visit. So you see we had quite a lot of company. Ray, Wendal, Helen, and Lawrence also came down. It's sort of looking around to see who's going to be married or engaged! Add to this little bunch, our little family —— and you can imagine the handful. Anyway, everything is lively and all are having a good time. All everyone was asking for you and send their regards. Dave do wish, honey, you were here. Everyone (except Nellie) has their hubby at their side, and my

hubby is 1150 miles away. All these hubbys took their wife's but your hubby — don't look me at all, do you? or even a tiny little bit, eh?

Will write you, love, a nice big letter to-morrow. Hope everything is well with you. How long is your training?

Shall close, pressing with all my love, biggest kisses because I love you oh! so much. Will be so happy when I am with you. Till we do, how must you love me.

Everlovingly,

Your lonesome wife.





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Monday,
March 31, 1917.

Dearest Love Heart: ——

Did you notice the date? 31st of March! Tomorrow, it will be April 1st. Honey, love, don't the time seem dear, now? Lord! Honey, April will soon, very soon pass and then May 1st will dawn. The time sure does fell like it passing, what do you say?

Rec'd your Friday letter this morning - the one in which were described the "stuffy" letter by the previous Thursday. I knew you would be, honey, but dear Duke so tired that day. You have asked me whether I enjoyed that parade. To be frank, for, if I had any idea that it was going to be what it was, I should never have gone. But the papers made such a big fuss over it, everyone was talking about it, and the preparations they made were simply marvelous. People came from all over to see it. You can imagine I was there at 8 in the morning and the streets were simply packed all the way down 5th Ave. I came fully prepared to take the occasion, however. —— I brought with me a little hatchet & wrapped it nicely in paper. The bar was small enough to look like a package, for they did not allow standing on balls, and I could see a bit over the heads of those in front of me. Never did I see such a crowd! People climbed cornices, tops of Hotel bottles, lamp posts and anything strong enough to climb. All the offices, stores, and lofts along the ave. were simply jammed. Rows of private homes built grand stands over the front yards, so did churches & Hotels, and were selling these seats any where from 5 to 25. And with all that the streets were so crowded, the mobs were so large that the parade was delayed about 1½ hr. and finally had to pass there only four abreast, first being cleared by mounted police who simply rode down the people to clear the way. The park on 2 & 3rd St was decorated most beautifully. They had erected

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decorated for the occasion. That night, Nellie, Dadie Ty and myself rode up to see the tower of Jewels at 60th St. & 6th Ave. this was taken from the Exposition. It was certainly wonderful. The whole thing made of incandescent many colored glasses, and when lit reflected the lights the effect was simply dazzling. So dear, with all that preparation and decoration was it any wonder that I was there at 8 when the parade was scheduled for 10? I waited until 1 when I got tired and saw there was nothing after all to it, and went home. And that's why, you got the short letter, so don't blame me tell it to Hen. Nothing, it all his fault. Words could not describe to you the sight of the various floats they carried. It was immense as you might know, realizing the no. of men they must have had.

I am particularly happy dear, to learn that you have the prospects of an other large case. Soak Coca-Cola for all you are worth. Get as much as you possibly can out of it honey and believe me I sure do hope it will be same nice neat little sum. How is your assault case coming along? We hope alright. If April is as well as March, why Everything will be fine and dandy. I sure do hope and pray that you find things coming your way. Let me know how your cases are progressing.

While I shall leave the end of April, I do not know when I will get my vacation. The ball has started rolling however, and all that is necessary, now is a relief man to take my place. Every day there is a new plan & a new suggestion. As yet I have not definately learned that I shall leave the last day of April, but have intimated as much to Mrs. Swallow when I left Saturday it was decided that I take the last 2 weeks in April, and then resign. This morning Mrs. Stark told Mrs. Swallow that

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either way suits me, as long as I get it prior to may 1st. or ra
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so that it terminates may 1st. Carrie is now left of the question. S
seems they called up her previous place (the one on the island) to
reference, and it was unsatisfactory. It is very, very hard to obt
or man, and so, while I should prefer to have the 2 cases
in April, for the, besides doing the necessary things, I could
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the date to procure a man, and then you see, I would be in
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The reasons I am so anxious to have it here with me is, first
I will save something on the 150# they allow me, won't I?
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Bye. It all depends, by, how on when you get the rooms for me
See dear, if you only take the rooms for

[illegible] during that time - still I will take it when I can get it; for if they advertise now, why, I think by the 15th at the latest, they ought to find somebody satisfactory. On the other hand, if I start on the 15th of April they may back it until the date to procure a man, and then you see, I would be in a fine fix. Have just rec'd your Saturday letter. No, honey, if I lose the last 2 weeks in April, it will not delay me at all. I will call in for my check on the last day of April, and if it does not come in on that day, I can call in again on the 1st, the day I back. So for this year we have always received it either of those 2 days. If, however, it should be delayed, I shall leave, in writing an order to pay either Rose or Sadie the right to collect it for me, and then they can forward it to me. So you see Corey, that has no bearing on the day I leave. You wrote I [illegible] me not to call for the money. How could you say that honey, after I have worked so hard a whole month for it. I'd never let that go, behind me! I would have resigned March 1st if it wasn't for the fact that I wanted that money so badly.

You don't as you wrote in the letter, you don't think, or rather, that perhaps, they won't accept a case as baggage. That I'm sure when I buy my ticket? where? At the baggage room? The reasons I am so anxious to have it here with me is, first, I will have something on the 150# they allow me, won't I? and then, too, because I figure it will count at the same time Ofo. It will, depend, too, how on when you get the rooms for you see dear, if you only take the rooms May 1st, how will I know an address to which to send the case, should I decide to express it in advance. If I should do that, express the case in advance, let me know, immediately, when you find

the rooms, which there are 2 or 3. In the case of 3, while I am expressing the trunk I could have the table & the effects at the same time. Let me know as to about what you think best, immediately, Davey dear, because we must soon get the two things settled one way or the other, the time will soon begin to fly. Lord! How I dread that packing!

And as to Mom, dear, I called up Flora the morning and she tells me you advise them to move to smaller quarters. Now, I think it best to wait until after I come down south, for the reason that if they are soon to follow me, it seems like foolish for them to move. Firstly, it would cost them so much, & secondly because of the work which for Mom to do now, is quite hard. You know she does not feel any too strong, and unless you feel that it will be same length of time before Mom comes down, I should not advise them to move. Then again dear, until we take that furniture, it will be impossible for Mom to move into a smaller place. And it is, of course impossible to ship the table etc. until you have found suitable rooms for us. So, Davey, it strikes me, that the only time we can advise Mom to move, is when we see that it will take a while before they can all come South. I was speaking about it to Mom Friday, and I have told Mom exactly what I have just written you. I think it best to leave things as they are now. Flora & Lolly are working, so things can continue until after I come down & together we can see what can be done. It only means one month more, — and then they can if it means 3 months she would stay, where they are, as the moving costs quite some. Then, too, there is Zelda to be considered. But I don't suppose that would make much difference as he could use the same room with Zelda, Lolly.

Have you heard anything more about Gustave's affairs? What about the slow Uncle Morris is figuring to open? What does he intend doing? Is [illegible]

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Have you heard anything more about Winston? What about the shop Uncle Morris is figuring to open? What does he intend doing? to run both shops and look after to his partners? Solomon? I don't suppose he will give up the tailoring line, is he? I sure do wish he could do something for mum. Not so much in the way

of helping Mom with money, as to start her up is something that she can depend on. When I come down I am going to speak to Uncle about it and see what we can do.

Did you, love, get the position your sister's brother? Hope so. How is your student progressing? Yes hope he needs lessons for some time to come. And how, dear, is Mrs. Lazaar? Tell on the same friendly (?) footing? Thank Mrs. Lazaar for her regards to me and tell her I return my kindest ones to both she & her husband & the baby.

Mom is quite worried as to the shipping of the furniture I told her about the Lazaars. What they ship theirs from N.J. too, lucky? Advised Mom to have a man come up & estimate it and do hope it won't be too much, for you know how little you get when you sell furniture, and then to buy new costs so much. Let me know, if you can find out from Mrs. Lazaar who shipped theirs & where they hail from. Also advised Mom to order the stone for Pop dear's grave, as that may take for 3 months, & as it has to be done, anyway, it would be wise to have it done now, & it may prevent unnecessary delay later on. Things are unusually unpleasant for Mom here at home, she has no one - nothing but the four walls to remind her of her terrible loss. Will tell you all about Santa Rosa when I come down and you will see how lonesome Mom is now, - and how disappointed in one she thought a good friend. The same old story love, where there is some personal gain, it means friendship, and as soon as that attraction is removed, that ends the friendship

Well, honey, tell me how you are feeling? as I tell you & I am sure your tummy will be alright.

As for me, love, "it" is making it appear

Lagaar? Tell us the same friendly (?) footing?
Thank Mrs. Lagaar for her regards to me and tell her
I return my kindest wishes to both she & her husband &
the baby.

Mom is quite worried as to the shipping of the furn
I told her about the Lagaars. What they ship theirs for
N. J. too, lordy! Caused Mom to have a man come up
& estimate it, and as hope it won't be too much, for you
know how little you get when you sell furniture,
and then to buy ours costs so much. Let me know, if you
can find out from Mrs. Lagaar who shipped theirs & where
they had from. Also advised Mom to order the stone
for Pop dear's grave, as that may take for 3 months, &
as it has to be done, anyway, it would be wise to have it
done now, & it may prevent unnecessary delay later on.
Things are unusually unpleasant for Mom here, as lonely,
She has no one - nothing but the four walls to remind
her of her terrible loss. Will tell you all about Santa
Rosa when I come down and you will see how lonesome
Mom is now, - and how disappointed in me she thought
a good friend. The same old story here, where there is
some personal gain, it means friendship, and as soon
as that attraction is removed, that ends the friendship
Well, honey, tell me how you are feeling? as
as I tell you & am sure your tummy will be alright.
As for me, love, "it" is making its appearance to-day &
as per usual. Lets hope, honey, that I haven't that as a
a companion when I take my trip South. Am afraid
I will though. Just my luck, and that will surely

take all the pleasure out of the trip — without the discomfort and suffering. However must cross the bridge when I come to it. Don't know what I shall do in case it does, shall I post pone the trip or what? We hope it will be alright. If I am regular I should be almost over it by Thursday, as I should start on the Monday previous. Will remember your directions as to buying tickets, lower berth, etc. Good bye, dear. I'll be happy when I am with you!

As I told you in yesterday's letter, we had quite a company yesterday and upon leaving, they again expressed their regards to you. Why is it, Lucky, that I can't really enjoy myself anymore if it is because I miss you so much. Last Saturday Carrie treated me to see the Isadora Duncan dancers. I really enjoyed myself, there for I never saw anything so artistically beautiful. They are positively wonderful. Was disappointed in that I. Duncan was not there, as she is now abroad. But her pupils are remarkable for grace & charm. So much they did not seem human, but exactly like angels moving about. When the performance was over, the audience refused to go home, but kept yelling "We want more, We want more!" "more! more! more! the applause was tremendous. They answered the encore with another dance, all during the performance they had to repeat each dance they preformed, and then the audience in the orchestra rounded around the stage and pounded the floor appealing for them to come out again. I did really enjoy it and wished so much you could have seen it too. If ever they appear in any city we are, we are going to see them. I know you will enjoy it. The music was wonderful. It being the first time I was in Carnegie Hall I enjoyed everything immensely.

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After the company left last night I sure dozed - served until about 1. 30 A.M. then, because I suppose I was too tired, I couldn't fall asleep when I did get into bed. The result was I sure did take to get up this

morning. "Ha!" How I hate to get up in the morning"!

Mom received your letter last I read, & so did I read Edna's. Expect they answer them soon. Pop also sends his regards and is doing rather well.

Harley dear, did you mean what you wrote about that Babcock? If you did, ~~baby~~ honey, then you hurt me. What did you mean when you said he would take advantage of me because I was married? Is that how you think of me, honey? I don't understand how you could write or think so. Have thought about it many times and am certainly deeply hurt. All I can say is that nothing like that has passed thru my mind ever — and although I had seen this gentleman but once, he did act in every respect like a perfect gentlemen. Do you think for a second I should have tolerated him — even for a fraction of a second if he acted in any way other than the way he did! Tell me, dear, what did you mean when you wrote that.

Do hope you can read this, as I have been writing between pimps, and hope if you can read it it makes sense.

Shall close, with all my love, hugs, & kisses

As ever

Frances.

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April 1, 1919.
Tuesday: ——

Darling Hubby: ——

just received your tiny little letter of Sunday. Am so sorry honey that you are still suffering with your stomach, & do hope you feel better by now. Dr. Kellogg are you doing as I told you, dear? Are you taking those tablets? That ought to give you relief until I come down and then believe me, whatever you eat will not trouble you. In the meanwhile, boy, take my advice as a troublesome stomach is awful & sometimes takes a long time to cure.

Felt rather miserable all day yesterday. Spent the evening rereading all your letters of last week. They sure are wonderful and feel as though the letter I wrote yesterday was punk. I wrote it under such difficulties. Not feeling well, and in snatches of 5 min.

sometimes only long enough to write a single word, and then when I'd get back to it, I would forget everything I had in mind to write. Passed a wretched night. It came with full vengance. I threw up a few times as it was simply impossible to keep in bed. So I wrapped myself in a blanket and stood pressed to the radiator. The heat did me considerable good, but I got so tired and weak from standing. Finally went back to bed and fell asleep. Feel much, much better this morning, so dear you see there is nothing to worry about. It is ~~something~~ an order that must be passed there, it seems, and then after that, it's alright.

There were so many things that I had in mind to write yesterday & forgot. One thing was, did you get that burglary case? We hope so. Hope & Casey you do as well this week as you did that one in which you made $90. Last week sure was swell, and do hope this month is as good.

Am wondering whether you and mike found any suitable rooms. We hope so, Lark. The time is sure being to look like it is rolling around now, what do you say? April 1st, on the head of the letter, my hubby talking of choosing rooms and furnishing it up - well, dear, I can feel myself gradually getting into the mood of your arms. We calling "quits" from me either; so honey, it's up to you.

What about the nothing Republic ship. To-day is april 1st. And how about L. Taylor's proposition? We hope love you get both. Let me know in each case how you make out. Also about your case - cold cash & the result me, too.

Honey, when you buy the furniture, don't

get too small a refrigerator. I'll tell you
dear, get one that is neither too large nor
too small, do not get an expensive one,
as when we can afford it, I should like
one of those white ones. Sometimes too
very often, in fact, these come in the home
built in, you know, so pick out inexpensive
for it shall only be for use to sort of take us
over. About get an expensive one. What you
intend doing about the linen is alright,
just those few pieces you mentioned.

The weather here has become dread-
fully cold. The entire winter is trying
to squeeze itself into the few remain-
ing days, and behind our sergeant is suffering
to it. We had wonderful spring weather
all march, and this cold snap took us all
by surprise. Result is that all you hear is
coughs, sneezes, etc. You, honey, must go out
and enjoy yourself while the weather is nice
now, & when I come down we will enjoy it to!
gether. Until then you go out and I do same. Your
silence will test letter too. Or it. I shall close with
all my love hugs & kisses. Lovingly Frances

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April 2, 1919.
Wednesday.

Precious Hubby, dear: —

Your letter of Monday sure was a tiny one; but since it is because of business I must kick, but be tickled to death honey. I sure was happy to read further on that you got the divorce case. Divorce cases seem to be your specialty, eh, but I wouldn't care if your letters consisted of only 3 words, namely "I love you," if it only means that your cases keep you busy. I do want you to become prominent and well known. That little sign sure works wonders, don't it honey? I am so happy, precious that you are doing so nicely, really. You have no idea how much, honey. Thank heaven, letters will soon be, for us, a thing of the past. It is a-mazing how I try to make a single letter stretch over the entire day. On the morning when I pass the post office, I wish I had your letter, and keep on wishing until 12 or 12.3 it usually comes in either of these 2 mails. Then I am satisfied until evening and then I wish again I had another letter. Pretty soon dear, I'll have my last letter all day long, won't I?

Mr. Wallace is home to-day. If you knew under what difficulty this letter is being written, you would wonder I didn't give it up long ago. It is something fierce to just about manage to reach the chair when up I have to jump. They almost drive me crazy. I sure will be happy when I can back to old dump. Was to go to my mother's home for supper to-night, but with the illness I wrote you about, and trying to do 2 peoples work, the rush is too much for me. So will call off here. Will probably run up to-morrow, if all goes well. Hope Mr. Wallace comes in

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Mr. Smallow is home today. I wonder what difficulty this letter is being written, you must have just about managed to pack the chair when up I have to jump. They almost drive me crazy. I sure will be happy when I can back to "old dump." Was to go to my mothers home for supper tonight, but with the illness of Mrs. Smallow, and trying to do 2 peoples work, I must remain in. The trains will be too much for her to ride up here. Will probably run up to-morrow, if all goes well. Hope Mr. Smallow comes in to-morrow.

Kathe thought it would be too early for you to look for rooms. Hope you find something nice, and that we can arrange to have the rent start from June 15. Try very hard to do that, honey.

Had a night mare about you Yesterday. Dreamt I got married to Mendel instead of you, and in my dream I was conscious of how much I loved you. I remember me telling Mendel and saying, Look, Mendel, its true we'll be married, I wonder how I could have married you when I love you so much." The whole thing was amusing & then dreamt I had to go to see Mama dear about some thing & in my dream I felt reluctant to go, as though I knew how she was hurt because I didn't marry you. On the way over I met Zelda with Henry coming from School, and I didn't care whether to talk to him or not as I was a bit sore too, over my engagement with.

Well dear, I shall have to close now so I will send along all my love kisses - Yours

lovingly

Frances





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Thursday: ——
April 3, 1919.

Precious Honey Love: —

Do you recognize this paper? I told you I rather admire it. Received your darling letter of Saturday, and thank you, love it a better plan for you to write in the evenings. I do so want a real newsy letter at least, once a day, from you. Bad enough to have to resort to reading letters, when I want you so much.

Mom has rec'd the papers and has been to the British Counsel, but they can do nothing as he is a Russian. From the British Council mom went to the Russian one. They advise her to get papers from Russia, as all these papers that they got from England are of no avail, since he is a Russian.

Dear heart, you have done wonderfully last month, and I earnestly hope & pray that it continues so. If only it does. We could find the Summer

months so happily & comfortably. Will take it as it comes, won't do you say, honey? But dear, what does it matter? Your money? You say you haven't bought a thing in wearing apparel, and still your personal expenses are 25 a week? Dear heart try & keep tabs on your money, as I do think there must be some mistake about that.

As to my vacation an add has been inserted in the paper yesterday. To my knowledge, there were only 3 applicants & I guess most of them wanted it, I don't know whether it appeared to-day or not, or whether they got any out. I hardly think so, as I wanted to be told. Will wait until Mr. Sullivan comes back from his lunch, he usually gets all the information. I feel sure, however, that between now & the 15th January ought to turn up, & so am not worried. They have started the thing going, & that means a whole lot. If, however, by the 10th or so, I hear nothing definite, I shall see Mr. Stark, but until that time, I'll keep quiet as I know they are, at least, making an effort.

It seems as though that book tim mailed a letter home to my mother's home about your sending the books back. Have you written to them recently? Expect it now home to-night and will forward it to you to-morrow.

So, honey, the weather has become cool there too? I rather thought that you, for, must feel it. To-day, however, has turned out nicely. I hope Spring is here, now to stay.

Well, love till we see where I shall be starting off to, just four weeks from to-day? Last night I had the same crying spell when I thought of how I should have to leave Mum and all the folks. I could not fall asleep and could not check back the tears. It was something awful. Now that the time is getting shorter I fancy it dawns on me just what it will mean. It all started when I thought of Nell leaving, and the thought flew thro my mind, when will I see her again? And my mother, and all? when I go down. But I suppose at first I shall miss them all so, but dear, you will be good to me and take the place of them all, won't you love? Before I was crying because you were but then and I was here with everyone. And now I because I shall have to leave the folk. I suppose that is typical women, to cry for one thing and then when she gets what she is crying for to cry again. Never mind Cart, I do hope when we see each other your tears will be a thing of the past. With you tears will be a thing of the past. I love you so much. Long, dear, and long for your kisses. Am sending all mine to you.

Everylovingly Frances.





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April 4, 1914.

Friday: —

Dearest Love Heart: —

Expected two letters to-day but so far have only rec'd the one you wrote Tuesday night. Do hope I get the Wednesday night letter to-day also.

Am running up to the house to-day. For a wonder the weather is half-way decent. Rained this morning but just now, the sun is out.

I can readily realize how letters mean to you do get for yourself, but have it is best so. Don't worry over the length of your letters dear. Simply write regularly, & write as much as you can. You know that's what the count the letter I like them. Soon, dear I hope, we must have to worry about

letters, we will be with each other and only hope
God gives us both health and happiness.

Dear, I am terribly worried about your tummy.
Why don't you see Dr. Lugar, or if you still feel angry
with him, some other doctor. Why suffer so? It is
essential that you eat, and dear you must see to
it, that you stomach gets into shape. If Cascara does
is no improvement now, or those cascara tablets
that, of course let me know whether you are doing as
I told you —— Then get some Phillips Soda
mint. Dr. Einstein — she is not the better stuff
I gave you as it will not have the cascara in it,
and take a teaspoonful after each meal, and
at night take a cascara pill. This ought to
fix you up splendidly and quickly. Let me know
if you are doing anything at all, simply waiting
for it to pass away itself. If it still continues take
a good purge. Citrate of mag. or Epsom Salts, dear.

I am sure happy Solomon is helping you
out so. Believe me, he sure is alright. Things are
looking pretty rosy for this month, eh? I am happy.

Dear heart. I think I know how much
you love me. I am only longing to be with
you. It is something terrible to be separated
from you and all I can say, dear is very very
again. For that reason, when anyone asks me
when I shall be — U.Y again, I tell them,
that all depends on when you & I can come
up to-gether. I mused, dear, like for both of
us to come North next Summer, that will be

a year, wouldn't you? For my mother's sake, I will want to come up as often as we can, as it is terrible to be so far, for all time, from your mother. What, of course will all depend on how Providence deals with us as to how often we can come & visit.

Well honey love, I shall have to close this to an end. Friday is the usually rest day for me, as I want to get out as quickly as possible. So dear, I am sending you a big fat kiss, millions of hugs and all my love.

Everlovingly

Frances

Now take care of your tummy honey and let me know just how you are feeling. I am feeling alright, it has left me!

Excellent! Just received the letter to Evelyn & the letter to Ernest. Am glad you got your 3rd letter, when I know that you have received a letter from me.





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April 5, 1919.

Precious Hubby!—

Well, dear, you sure did fool me yesterday by enclosing Lippman's letter as yours. But never mind I paid you back, eh? when I enclosed the letter about your books. What luck are you going to do about those books! Say keep em — once they are shipped down South, they will never be able to locate them.

Now, dear do you know what conclusion I have come to, about your stomach? Well it is just this, that you are not eating regularly, are you? See that you have your

meals in regular time. Did I get you some Kellogg's Corn Flakes along in that kit? Well if I did why don't you use it? And Eat regularly on time

I will write you the big letter to-morrow. As yet I have not received my letter to day but suppose it will come later on, - due to your writing the letters in the Army. Am happy that you got a little satisfaction from the Coke-Cola people, and do hope you get something big out of it.

You simply, dear, have no idea, how I am anxiously waiting for the time to pass, so that I can be with you. Of course, Darling, I know you love me, — Even if it is only a tiny little tiny bit, but you do love me a little bit, eh? Just a little bit? I long so, and pine for a good tight hug & squeeze and a big kiss from you. I wish the time would roll around for me to start off. Well will be leaving Tuesday afternoon. Don't know I envy her! She called me up this morning and told me the Girls of the Office presented her with a 43 piece set of cut glassware. This consists of a half dozen each of various glasses ranging from a wine glass up to Sherry & Sherbet lemonade drinking tumblers etc. The odd piece is a salad dish. Besides this they gave her

a 3# box of Page & I have Chocolate
wasn't that simply wonderful of them?
They have been wonderfully nice to
her. Giving her so much time off for
herself and not taking a cent out
of her salary. Quite different from
the way the city treats their em-
ployees, I can tell you. Expect they
are going to advertise again for
for a man in my place and hope
they get same one.

Must close precious, with all
my love hugs & kisses.

Your ever loving wifie,
Frances.

Hope I get a big fat letter to-day; —
Ought to.

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April 6, 1919.
Sunday.

Dearest Dear Heart: —

Your long letter came in the last mail yesterday (Saturday) I was nervous that it would miss that mail and you know what that means to a Sunday mailer. After reading it I had my usual cry for dear, I do so long for you. I simply can not express to you how deep my love for you really is. Why, I cry often, even when I am so busy my whole body + soul seems to reach out, somehow, as though to touch you and just reach out to you. It is the most indescribable feeling. A queer sense to pass thro me and everything becomes so tense and although my lips do not move, the most appealing, heart rending cry of "Jim" just escapes me. If ever I allowed it to pass my lips, I feel it would be piercing. My whole body, or something within me, seems to reach out. It is indescribable, honey, all I can say is, that I long and miss you terribly. To me it is simply as tho the best part of me is gone — it is with you. I am only living for the time to come when I can be with you, and earnestly pray to God that nothing interferes with my leaving May 1st. Being reluctant you love, is simply torture, + I hope the remaining time will pass rapidly.

Am very happy that you followed my advice and that it brought you relief. That "tummy" of yours worried me more than a little. Do take care of yourself, love, for my sake, — will you? I am sure it will avoid many unpleasant, torturing headaches if you do. Am why suffer when you can avoid it? Just by a simply little remedy, and a little care and discretion. Pick plain simple foods, eat slowly and regularly. Then if you do have trouble which, with restaurant food, it is to be expected, a little Bicarb + Soda mint, or a cascara pill will do wonders. As to myself, honey, I wrote you I am entirely free my periodical illness and must say it was useful this time. Why I do not know, but. Since it is over with "what the dif"? I have had a cold in my head, with a sore throat at the same time, but I am sing how you would worry over it, wanted until it passed over before telling you. Am perfectly alright now, love, so there is no cause for you to scold. I know it must be rotten, not to be able to be with you, you would be also

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you to scold. I know it would be nothing, yet when I write I like
you would be alarmed over nothing — nothing at all.

Precious, I do so hope that you pass the 3 degrees in
Masonry. Am happy you like the shirt I gave you. And if you
only knew how many times I am thanking Because you must read
it a shirt that I gave you. To give you the comfort + caresses I

aching to give them dear, you would have a faint idea of how I long for you. Well honey, how does the shirt look, and how do you like it? which one did you wear? If you can so arrange it do not have them laundered until I come down. Could it fit those you say the laundry ruined? Must throw anything away love, for when I come down I may be able to fix it up, like I did with the one with the frayed cuffs. Dont throw anything away, honey dear? Let me know if you find men's shirts expensive there: if they are, why, when I come down I'll get some for you. How do you find wearing apparel there: anything more of interest? Let me know, and if you can judge how ladies articles such as material, clothing shoes, etc. are in comparison let me know also as I am curious to know, and then too I may be able to get some things here. Ask Mrs. Lazear to give you some sort of an idea, if she can

As yet, love, I have done absolutely nothing such as buying ticket etc. When I go down to see well, off, that is if I am able to go, I shall make inquiries as to the case. If, dear, they will not include it on my ticket I'll do as you say, and ship it by express. I feel sure however, that they will accept it as Zieden had a case, when he came, didn't he? Just as soon, love, as I buy my ticket or get any information, you will know, honey. I'll keep you in touch with each and everything I do. I'll not forget to ask for the "Memphis Special" now to engage a lower berth, and just as soon as I have anything definate to tell you, dear heart you can rest assured I'll be only too happy to let you know.

I earnestly hope for that you find 2 rooms. That will suit us to a T., in all ways. Less expenses and then in the heat it would save lots of work for me. But dear

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As yet, Love, I have had absolutely nothing such as tramp ticket etc. When I go down to see Hall, Off, that is if I am able to, I shall make inquiries as to the case. If, dear, they will not include it on my ticket I'll do as you say, and ship it by express. I feel sure however, that they will accept it as Zieden had a case, when he came, didn't he? Just as soon, Love, as I buy my ticket or get any information, you will know, honey. I'll keep you in touch with each and everything I do. I'll not forget to ask for the "Memphis Special" now to engage a lower berth, and just as soon as I have anything definite to tell you, dear heart you can rest assured I'll be only too happy to let you know.

I sincerely hope Joe, that you find 2 rooms. That will suit us to a T., in all ways. Less expenses and then in the heat, it would save lots of work for me. But dear you, of course will have to take what you can get. I shall be thinking all day to-day of you, wondering if you got anything suitable. I hope you do, Love, and that you get it starting the rent with May 1st.

Elsie, you remember that I told you Dr was going to have Dr Mann dear come & see one of the best doctors on hearts? well, she has, and this doctor gave Mann the most wonderful examination I have ever seen or heard of. She took what is called a picture of the heart, gave Mann a thorough physical exam, measured her heart etc. and finally advised Mann to take a complete rest for a week to 10 days. She says Mann's heart muscles are worked out, and while there is nothing serious about it now, if she lets it go and still continues to exert herself, the result will be serious. I was very, very happy to hear there is no valvular trouble. She ordered complete rest on her back for 10 days. Now Elsie, you know how impossible that is with things how they are, and I explained this to this Dr. Kelly. She told Mann that it was absolutely imperative that she takes this rest, and suggested her coming into the Hospital which is the best plan, I think. I urged her to go in immediately to-morrow (Monday) at the latest, for as the Dr said, the quicker she goes in, the quicker she will go out, for the longer she leaves it go, the greater the length of time it will take to bring her back to the same point. We talked it over and Mann is foolish enough to let the Passover holidays delay her going in. I want her to have everything go, and to enter immediately, but Mann says she simply can't on account of Zeide. She promises not to do anything and rest as much as she can. I told this to Dr. Kelly to-day, telling her Mann decided to go in on the 19th of this month, (as Passover will be practically through then). She said to me "If only your "mother" lived in N.Y. city, I would have her take care of you while she stays home, & I, myself could run in and have instructions for her to stay in bed, and see her very often." But, but, Dr. Kelly is so far, that of course this is impossible. Nevertheless, I will say, that the Dr. Kelly is

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when Mama does come into the Hosp. She says she will go up to see her often, and will also take another picture of her heart to see how much she improved while at home. Of course the Dr. says if she will not exert herself while at home, it will not harm to delay going into the Hospital, and Mama promised me that she wont do anything but what is right and will not harm her. It was on Thursday that Mama came down and I told the Dr. about Mama's inability to sleep, — She prescribed some tablets (I had got some from Mama before, but Mama did not take them as I told her to & of course they did not help her) and Thursday & Friday night she slept splendidly. This of course made a big improvement in Mama, and now I am sure when Mama does take that rest, she will feel better than she has ever felt since Papa's death. You see, dear, I am perfectly frank with you & I dont want you to worry over Mama, as I told you there is no vascular trouble, nothing alarming, only what we all know that this grieving and pining has caused a general run down in Mama's health. To tell you the truth, while Mama's condition is bad enough, I expected much worse. Am happy that Mama fell into such good hands, as Mama, herself is crazy about this Dr. & told me she will do anything the Dr. tells her to do. As I say this Dr. is remarkable both for her kindness & her ability. Thursday afternoon she came in and spoke to me about Mama, and Friday I saw her again. She said both times, "For what your mother went through she is in a most remarkable condition". To which I replied "Dr Kelly, you simply have no conception absolutely none, what that woman did go thru.". And I wondered what she would say if I were not ashamed, bravely ashamed, to tell her what Mama went thru only a short 4 years ago at Faiz's wedding. That dear is an outrage and crime I shall never forget, — something I will tell you all about when I see you and then you will see what "them" true colors are. That is

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nurses to-day that I know is in that building, and told her about that man is to go in
him. She tells me that the nurse in that ward is a very good
friend of hers. She is going to speak to her about it & so in that
way, Mama will have the best possible attention all the
way round. In fact, I was surprised to see how Mama fell into
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when Mama enters or rather, is there; as it would be so much
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all in her power, too.

Now, dear, Fidie wants to go down South to make Mama
while he does not know just what is what about Mama, he under-
stands that Mama is not well, and he wants to go to go to Memphis
He wanted to start before Passover but Mama won't let him.
Do, dear, speak to Uncle Morris about it, will you? It is
possible that they will allow him to cross the ocean, as the
Office is in charge as much as intimated that to Mama. Effie
is much about Mama's condition, and dear, it will be best for
both Fidie & Mama if Uncle has Fidie come down. It almost
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Now, dear, Zeida wants to go down South to uncle Morris. While he does not know just what is what about mama, he understands that mama is not well, and he wants to go to Memphis. He wanted to leave before Passover but mama won't let him. Do, dear, speak to uncle Morris about it, will you? It is just possible that they will allow him to cross the ocean, as the Officer in Charge as much as intimated that to mama. Explain to uncle about mama's condition, and dear, it will be best for both Zeida & mama if uncle has Zeida come down. It almost kills Zeida when he sees mama is not feeling well, and it kills mama to see how Zeida suffers. I dread to think of the time when mama leaves for the Hospital as I know how Zeida will take it, and I insist that Zeida would not be there. It is a pity to make an old man like that suffer needlessly. Yet, it he don't go down before Passover, I don't see how else it can be arranged. However, look, you talk it over with uncle, and decide what you think best.

Of course mama want more until it means to mope South. I earnestly do hope that uncle will do something for mama dear. When I came down, I feel that things would be going her their way to look then all came down very soon after I came. I hope so, anyway, & somehow, I feel that

that will end all trouble. Good! I hope so, anyway. For I shall never in all my life forget what "hell" these past 2 years have been. Here is only one bright spot — and that is our strong love for each other. And dear, that sure has stood the test, hasn't it!

As to my vacation, Lord, I don't know what to say. They are going to advertise for Monday. They were going to put an add in to-day (Sunday) but then is Mr. Stowe's day off duty and so it will have to go until tomorrow. The whole thing makes me tired! They can't get anyone for the money. To make matters worse, one of the druggists down in the drug store has been laid up sick a week — Mr. Swallow's foot bothers him and he was home one day, and says he expects he will be laid up, — so there you are! One thing sure, I want to get that vacation! I am entitled to it, and I want it. I can't see what going the city "36, after working here 3 years, at the salary I got. However, I'll see what the add brings and won't worry until I have it. But it sure does get me riled. When I think of the way Nell was treated! By the by, Nell is leaving 3.14 in the afternoon, & I for Mr. Swallow I should like to see her off. He says "well, it depends on my foot, I may be laid up in bed — and not be here at all." Picture how I felt. I told him, I & you should be sick, and they don't give me any help, which of course they wouldn't, with one man sick on there. I'd simply quit. Oh well, dear, I'd simply leave it to Providence to straighten out — it is beyond me, and for the short time I am here I'll take things as they come. But I must get all that is coming to me, or I'll bust! When I expected everything to be nice and sweet at the end, everything somehow got all jumbled up. And now I am worrying to get my vacation all the sooner, so that I can be here when Mom is here. But of course I shall have to have that to change, and simply take my vacation when I get it. It seems there were 6 women

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Bernice called me up yesterday & told me she got a hospital position, for just a few hours in the afternoon. She

is coming up to see me this afternoon & that is why I want to get your letter but as early as possible. The work here on Sunday has become very light & so I find a great deal of time.

Will run up home to-night, as I want to be with Nell as much as possible. If the weather permits, Kay & Helen will be over. Expect I shall run over to-morrow night also, so in case I can't get away Tuesday, I'll say Good-bye & ride in the morning. Gosh! now that it is getting near I do feel terrible about it.

Do H. Goldberger & Hon W. Lee are not partners? They will make a good pair. I thought his lordship here, was going to condescend to put this "halter of matrimony" on, & then he returned to Memphis. That is the trouble. He did feel on his usual "Blarney"? No doubt he got forgot that he told you that yarn, or perhaps the girl is not working now. He sure is a cad!

How did business go this week, honey & do hope about right. Did you hear anything more of the $60 from the Government? You know how I feel about that little jaw of Printers' Ink and the notary Republic's ship. Don't it sort of take us over so why don't we make for you to land back. Hear anything more about either?

Honey, I don't know whether you met this party that I am going to tell you about or not. Did you ever meet Mrs. Buckland's sister? A tall girl with rather light hair. They were all down at the Island when your people were. I was shocked to hear of her death. Not knowing, I went in the drug store Thursday night, and almost collapsed when I was told. She had a week before Mrs Dean of the same terrible disease. It broke my heart to see the misery it left them, too. Taking everything in all its

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Am trying to get Henry into the Hosp. to have tonsils taken out. As soon as I get this letter written I am going to see the Dr. and see if I can't have both Henry & Helen

admitted it - gether. The reason I want Heber to go along, is that it will make it easier for Monday and then, the more important reason is that I want him to travel around. Either Tante Rosie or Faye can bring them down & come & see them the one day they are there and take them home. It would take a lot off mama's hands, and especially as the doctor has ordered her to be quiet.

Oct 1st. I take it I know what you alluded to in your letter. Does it concern Faye? I guess, and am still shocked. I didn't know that you knew. However, that is best spoken not written, and when I see you we will have a lot to talk over. The amusing part of it is, everyone sort of looks down on Tante Nellie, because her sick Tante Rosie, hates cousin to pop dear, does not take 25 cents to heart to pop's death. They all point out how badly Tante Rosie looks, how sick her dear cousin's death cast her in health, - how hard she takes it. Do you beat that?

Well Oct, my hand sure is tired, and I positively have a cramp in my hand, and I hope & pray, that on the fourth Sunday from to-day, I shall be with you. I do become so blue and sad at times, because I miss and long for you so. I earnestly hope it wont be long. I send close with millions & millions of kisses, and all my love, and oh! such a tight hug. Something squeeze.

As Everfondly
Your lonesome little Toots.

P. S. When I get down we will talk about the Bolsheviki. I said the better part of my last letter. Send me back Rebe's letter. I'll let you have it back when you come down. This writing is too much for me. Eh?

Dear: - Just now is the time my trouble making & help of what I write. Eh?

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Give my regard to Uncle Mr. Solomon, & Mrs Lazarus.

Comfy Frances.

If you have any trouble making it out, write. This writing I know is awful. I can't read it myself what I write. Eh?

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Dearest Lost Heart: —

Received both your Friday & Sat. letter this morning. Am very anxious to hear from you as regards to the rooms. Will have to wait until to-morrow, however.

Now look I want & you about Mama coming into the hospital on the 14th. Since Friday, or rather Thursday, I have been worrying and fretting, trying to plan out what to do, and now Lost I am going to ask your advice. As yet, Lost, there is no relief for my place so that I can start my vacation and if they advertise again I feel that there is little chance of getting anyone for 2 weeks at the salary they offer. In that way it will drag & drag until I lose out. Have just been out to see Mrs Hart about it, and frankly told her that when I look for my vacation, I am not coming back. So you see dear when Mrs Hart advertises it will be for a permanent position ~~which will bring better results~~. Now, Lost, that brings my vacation starting on the 14th of April. Mama is coming into the Hosp. on the 14th and naturally, I want her to receive the best care possible, — for which I should have to either be here or come out from Westhope every day. If I do the latter you can see how much I would accomplish. Since it is impossible for me to get my vacation before Mama comes in, the only way I can see, is to take my vacation Starting (May 1st) May 1st. to May 16. By that time Mama will be made as comfortable and receive all the medical care & attention possible, Please God, she will be leaving the hospital well & Direct paid. buying the preparations for my trip along, as soon as my vacat

begins, & even before, so that in all it would only delay my coming down a week later. I dispose to my Claire about Constance's collecting my check for rent, and he said it would be alright. I hope dear I have made myself perfectly clear, & the matter now rests for your answer. So let me know at once. Let me know about the rooms — which honey, do not get excited & hasty. We hope you have not picked any out yet, in the case you agree with me to come down after the 1st. of the month. You have no idea, honey what it cost me to make up my mind to postpone the trip. At first I felt as though I simply could not do it, but as mama's condition is so bad & am afraid we will both have to make that little sacrifice. The Dr. told me if she looks at the end of the 10 days, that mama needs more rest & care she will keep her into the Hosp. as long as necessary. So, then, dear, how comes I have my, and have mama in bed at the Hosp. Then too, look by that time "it" will be alright. I will go home as much as possible between now & the 1st & so get as much done, sewing etc, as possible and the only thing I will have to worry about (at least I hope so) will be my teeth. But I think might not take more than a week. So all in all it means the difference of one week with us. Dear, you know as I said before simply no idea what I have passed thru these last few days. It has I saw the postponement of the trip facing me on Thursday, & just crushed me like a veritable wreck.

The excitement of Nell's going away to-morrow, Mr. Salomi's staying away a day, my illness, one that could ring around to see everything was alright for mama, our seeing the Doctor, Arranging for Helen & Henry to come in the Hosp. To-morrow to have the tonsils taken out, many hours to do errands & sewing, worrying about mama &

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my vacation — and besides all this waiting for you & making up my mind to my possible post poning my trip — and waiting hard every day — over you have a vague idea of what I have passed thru. And what is to come — hard! the rush — & my packing etc!

Now, honey, it stands waiting for your answer. Either I leave the place here on the 15th of april, or the 1st of may, and start my vacation on the respective day. As hard as it will be first, I think, dear, to have me start may 1st; otherwise I don't see how I can possibly do it, and it will probably be after the 1st that I could start down anyway. As this dear, you see turned up so unexpectingly, that it sure did take all the life out of me.

Will close now, dear, as I am growing busy. With all my love, hugs & kisses, I am just now

Your terribly troubled
wifie.

Am so happy dear, that your tummy is so much better. Take good care of yourself, hear? Am happy, too, that you passed your 2nd degree exam.

(over)

Mom has rested in bed Sat + Sunday + says that she feels 100% better. But, of course, no one telling how during the week, she will exert herself, which you see is bad for her first rec. For that reason Dr. Kelly advises the Hosp. rest — where no one will bother or disturb her. You see look, that it is only a rest to the heart which is necessary, and after that Mom will be better than she has been in many a day. Also worry. Lord, Lord, as there is positively nothing to worry about. If there was I should feel it my duty to tell you so.

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Thursday: —

Dear precious Hubby: —

Just rec'd your little message of Tuesday. It sure was a pity to put $4 worth of stamps to carry that. Talk about being stingy! Good Heavens!

Three weeks to-day, honey! Everyone here is telling me how sorry they are that I am going. Everyone is going to miss me etc. How the compliments are in season - and how! If I get a swell head you'll know the reason why. Have called up the baggage room this morning to be sure about the case. The woman who answered me told me they would allow a case the size of a good size trunk - and told me the weight was not to exceed 250 lbs. The case I got I think will be too small so I went down to the general Delivery dept. & they told me they would save one for me. Will go down again on Monday as I want to get it home as early as possible. Will send it by Express.

To-day the weather is splendid! All day yesterday & the day before it poured. Last night was awful. I never saw it rain so hard.

Mrs. Rose up this morning & she tells me both Mrs. & Henry are feeling better. Mrs. says she felt so much better yesterday that she dressed & went to the kitchen. Of course I shall see that she does, as one day she may feel better but you can never [illegible]

Talk about being stingy! Good Heavens!

Three weeks to-day, honey! Everyone here is telling me how sorry they are that I am going. Everyone is going to miss me etc. How the compliments are in season - and how! If I get a swell head you'll know the reason why. Have called up the baggage room this morning to be sure about the case. The woman who answered me told me they would allow a case the size of a good size trunk - and told me the weight was not to exceed 250 lbs. The case I got I think will be too small so I went down to the General Delivery dept. & they told me they would save one for me. I will go down again on Monday as I want to get it home as early as possible. Will send it by express.

To-day the weather is splendid! All day yesterday & the day before it poured. Last night was awful. I never saw it rain so hard.

Mother Rose up this morning & she tells me both Mum & Henry are feeling better. Mum says she felt so much better yesterday, that she doesn't know whether to retire the knife or not. Of course I shall see that she does, as one day she may feel better but you can never know just when she may collapse. Just as soon as Mum sees she can move about a little better, she immediately starts in to work about, and so kills it all. Rose said Mum was very worried in that they did not hear

from you. Explain why, but see that you write as often as you can.

Shall close with all my love & kisses and remember no more letter rots like the one I got to-day. I couldn't believe that you had the heart to write me a little - how did the case (under movies) come out? X.

Everlastingly
Frances.





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Precious Love: ——

Will only be able to write a few words to-day, I am afraid as I am running off, soon, to see Nell off. Gosh! I sure do hate to see her go. Ran up home last night to stay with her.

The weather is wonderful. I never saw a more perfect day. I do hope I have as nice weather when I leave.

I was anxious to know whether or not you found any rooms. I do hope not, as I wouldn't know what to do — that case. I can't wider.

dear Cook, when you say most houses have no baths. Good heavens! What sort of a town are you taking me to? Sooner get 2 rooms with the use of the bath, as a bath is as essential as either of the 2 other rooms.

An answering answer to my yesterday's letter. All I can see before me is your disappointment in store for me in all probability, but part paid my trip. I know what it cost me — yet is costing me, yet — I see no other way. I will certainly try to start out as soon after May 1st as possible.

Everyone is strolling around. Women + children, honestly, Lucy is drier not mild to see everyone out enjoying themselves and so happy — and here I am — you so far away. On Sunday, when I went home, after I was there at the dispensary, I felt so lonesome, so neglected and forlorn. Everywhere, there were people dressed up and out walking with someone. Everyone seemed so happy — the weather was so ideal. And there I was, trudging away home tired, + sad. Denise was not

able to come down as she promised, as her little nephew took ill, and her mother resident of town. She wanted to leave him alone with her brother but I told her not to, as he is such a little fellow and her brother would be helpless in case anything should occur. Should happen. Expect her down to-morrow night.

Well, Love, I shall close with all my love, and kisses to you, and a big tight squeeze.

Everlovingly
Frances.

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April 4, 1919.

Dearest Lare Heart: ——

Received your darling letter of Monday this afternoon and was happy to read that you have not as yet picked out the rooms, for in case you want me to delay my trip, I'd feel easier knowing that the rent is not running on another few rooms not in use. It sure is a good thing that Uncle Morris went with you, as a kitchen without a sink is more than none at all. It would be terribly hard on me to drain the water from a bath room & then I would have to carry it back to empty it. I am very, very much surprised to hear that Memphis is so out of date and behind times. Believe me, New York can't be beat when it comes to building and fitting up homes. Get the best you can, don't take anyold thing as there is still plenty of time, & must take you long to get the things & furnish the rooms into. I do not understand this part of your letter — you would have to get water from the bath room etc, so I began seeing that we could not afford 2 rooms; so I let it go."

Uncle Morris sure is a brick. To offer us his grand is dandy of him. When I come down I'll show him how much we appreciate his goodness. We hope he can do same thing for mine, soon.

Well honey, well sent off yesterday. Mama, Pop, Sadie, Edna & myself saw her off. Tears & sighs all around. It was terrible. I was so broken up, that I went to bed at 7.30 last night. Feel much better to-day. While there, I inquired about my baggage at the baggage room. A case is acceptable if it is bound or rather roped up. They allow #150 #. So I guess it will be alright. In this way

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is dandy of him. When I come down I'll show him how
much we appreciate his goodness. We hope he can do some
thing for Mom, soon.

Well, honey, well sent off yesterday. Mom, Pop,
Sadie, Edna & myself saw her off. Tears & sighs all around.
It was terrible. I was so broken up, that I went to bed
at 7. So last night. Feel much better to-day. While there
I enquired about my baggage at the baggage room. A
case is acceptable if it is taped or rather roped up.
They allow "two", so I guess it will be alright. It cost
us this way just us a few dollars, which you know
love, we will be able to even, to good advantage

Kenney + Keller are going to have their tonsils removed to-day. I have been up twice so far to-day, and ran up last night to see them. Will run up about 4 again, as by that time they will be all over with the operation. They will in all probabilities go home to-morrow afternoon. They do not allow visiting in the ~~afternoon~~ evening for to the children's ward, but I arranged with the nurse to have Rose, and Santo Rosa see them to-night. In the meanwhile, I got them some magazines and pads and they are having a time back up there. Both will feel much better when they are over it, as they both are continually suffering from colds + sore throats because of their enlarged tonsils.

I had rather wear sack, with all my bags and kisses, and—how much sack would you like to have to-day? Only a tiny little bit? Alright then I am sending you just a wee bit.

As ever
Lovingly,
Frances.

Hope you get that movie card, Rosary? Do hope so.
Am so happy to know your tummy is better, + be sure
to take care of yourself - hear?

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evening for to the children's ward, but I arranged with
the nurse to have Rose, and Santo Rosie see them to-
night. In the meanwhile, I got them some oranges
and pads and they are having a time tuck up there.
Bill will feel much better when they are over it, as
they both are continually suffering from colds + sore
throats [illegible] by their enlarged tonsils.

I had rather wear work, with all my hugs
and kisses, and—how much work would you like to
have to-day? Only a tiny little bit? Alright then
I am sending you just a wee bit.

As Ever
Lovingly,
Frances.

Glad you get that movie cam, Lovey? Do hope so.
Am so happy to know your tummy is better, + be sure
to take care of yourself - hear?

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April 10, 1919.
Saturday: —

Darling, Precious Hubby: —

Have rec'd your Saturday letter which I have been waiting for impatiently since I wrote you last Monday dear heart, for say it made you blue, yet you don't know how miserable and blue I have been since I realized it was to do so. Harvey, I have not stopped crying since and your letter, dear, has simply capped it all. I know, of course what a little disappointment it must be for you I know what it is costing me. But hang, what can I do? Do you think it is there any choice of mine? Think for a second what I must be passing there, and dear, I am doing this for the sake of your mother. I tried to explain fully in my letter just how things stood. Mom's condition, as I told you, has reached the point where she must have absolute rest & quiet in the Hospital. Ten days may be sufficient but if they see her heart has not recovered from the strain it has passed thru, by that time, no doubt, they will keep her there longer. I hope ten days will see her out, but dear that is a thing that the doctors says "we shall have to see". It is an endless prevention now, to a funeral of care later on. If mom does not follow the doctors advice now, it will take months & months of constant care to have her as well as she used to be. You know what mom has passed thru — the result is a broken, overworked heart, which while it is not critical now, is neglected it will be a source of a great deal of ill health. If mom had gone immediately to the Hospital I should still have been able to come down in ~~et~~ 1 st

waiting for impatiently since I wrote you last Monday
dear heart, for say it made you blue, yet you don't know
how miserable and blue I have been since I really did it was best
to do so. Today, I have not stopped crying since read your
dear letter, dear, has simply capped it all. I know, of
course what a little disappointment it must be for you—
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doubt, they will keep her there longer. I hope ten days
will see her out, but, dear that is a thing that the
doctors says "we shall have to see". It is an issue of
prevention now, to a period of cure later on. If Mom
does not follow the doctors advice, now, it will take
months & months of constant care to have her come
back to her old self. You know what Mom has passed
thru — the result is a proper, over worked heart, which
if left as it is now, is neglected, it will be a source of
a great deal of ill health. If Mom had gone immediately into the Hospital
I should still have been able to come down in Oct / Nov
But as Mom will only enter the 19th I would only get
my vacation in the 1st — it would be up to me to
either neglect Mom at the Hosp. or else spend my
vacation there with her. I cannot, honey, manage the

dentist, do sewing, packing + and all the necessary run-
ning around necessary to get things together, for my trip,
and still give you the attention I should like
to have. Which course you do under the circumstance
want you in every letter let me to take care of myself
well. Darling you don't know how hard I am working
now, and how at the end month everything comes in
a bunch. The reason I am working so hard is be-
cause I want to get down to you just as soon
as I can. I can honestly say, that often I am then busy
working at the Hosp. I do not as much as begrudge myself
a minutes' pleasure. I will tell you everything when I come
down Darling, all I can tell you is, that I am doing
all and as much as I possibly can to get down to you
as quickly as only I can. This mode of living is killing me
and I want you so much.

I wrote you, Darling, how I thought I could man-
age to leave on Thursday, May 8, just one week later.
Between now + the 15th of May, when I start my vacation
I am going home as much as I can, and accomplish,
if possible, a great deal of the sewing. You see, every to
night is visiting night at the Hosp. + on those nights
when Dankmar comes from home to see mama, I shall
run home to see. I can in this way, accomplish quite a
lot. Now, all I will have to worry about after May 15th
will be my teeth and I am sure I can have them
done in a week. And in that week, I can also pack and
do the necessary things such as buying what I need
etc. Now, if not discharged from the Hosp., will
be in a pretty fair condition, + used to the Hosp.
it will not be necessary for me to run up as often

a knack. The reason I am working so hard is because I want to get down to you just as soon as I can. I can honestly say, that after I am through working at the Hosp. I do not do much as beyond myself a minute's pleasure. I will tell you everything when I come down Sunday, all I can tell you is, that I am doing all and as much as I possibly can to get down to you as quickly as only I can. This mode of living is killing me and I want you so much.

I wrote you, Sunday, but I thought I could manage to leave on Thursday, May 8, just one week later. Between now & the 15th of May, when I start my vacation I am going home as much as I can, and accomplish, if possible, a great deal by the saving. You see every night is visiting night at the Hosp. & on those nights when someone comes from home to see them, I shall run home. I can in this way, accomplish quite a lot. Now, all I will have to worry about after May 15th will be my teeth and I am sure I can have them done in a week. And in that week, I can also pack and do the necessary things such as buying what I need etc. Then, I am discharged from the Hosp., will be in a pretty fair condition, & used to the Hosp. & it will not be necessary for me to run up as often once my vacation starts. Mom asked me not to go before she leaves the Hosp. and I couldn't really refuse her, so to my check I shall give power of attorney to either Rose or Sadie, and after my

vacation has expired, they will get it for me, and forward it. I hope, dear, I have given you an inkling of what I am to go thru the next few weeks, so that I can bring our seperation to an end as quickly as possible.

I do hope, honey, by now, the bitterness has somewhat passed away, and that you can see it, as I have to face it. I am terribly sorry, honey, that it had to happen, but I had no other choice. There will be no other delay, I am sure of it. And please God, I will be with my precious hubby the following Saturday - just one little week after the date we planned out and everything will be alright. Now, please God, well and happy, which dear, is a thing I could never neglect ~~doing~~ doing to. I simply could not shove you under into a hospital and run away anymore than I could do it to my own mother. It is just a little delay which we will both look back to, with a little self sacrifice.

As to your continuing to look for rooms, look, I am extremely sorry that my letter shattered your enthusiasm so. Perhaps after you read of what I am going thru, you will understand, and pick up things again with all the ardor and love that you had, and for which I cared for so. I sure did love to read of how you were planning for our home. But honey, if you wanted another man, why not write & tell me, we can fix it up together. But I do hope love, you will simply continue where you left off, & just forget about that one little week's difference for we want us to be happy don't you? Well then write & tell me, your slowness has worn off a little at this

face it. I am terribly sorry, honey, that it had to happen but I had no other choice. There will be no other delay, I am sure of it. and please Dad, I will be with my precious hubby the following Saturday - just one little week after the date we planned and everything will be alright. Mom, please Dad, well and happy, which dear, is a thing I could never neglect ~~doing~~ delay to. I simply could not shove your mother into a hospital and run away anymore than I could do it to my own mother. It is just a little delay which we will take back to take with a little self sacrifice.

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a little delay being necessary in my trip, it was thro' no choice of mine + that there was, evidently no other choice. I am utterly miserable, — happiness, pictured for of course is impossible, — but to-day I feel totally crushed. I wish, Davy, that when you write to me, you would not write in such a disappointed tone as it will only aggravate my condition. Let things go as I suggested - and you will see everything will be alright. They have already engaged a man to start here on May 1st: so there need be no worry on that score. And, as I wrote before, I will run home about 3 weeks a week + see, between now + until the time my vacation begins. Then I shall have my teeth attended to, + as soon as that is done, — I am off to you. I will not have to wait until my vacation for I can get passed, - see, Davy? And everyone shall be satisfied + cooked after. I shall take to make women happy + as comfortable as possible, + instead of taking 2 weeks to prepare, I'll manage in one. Now, Davy, do you feel better? I do hope so. Remember, look the stiff upper lip!

And me has much fear. Love me, precious, will you? And tell me that you are alright + feeling better. I really ought to go to [illegible]

Write all my love + kisses, I am your loving Davy

Write this.

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I am glad your trouble broken up

Ted me has much fear, Dick me, precious, will you? And tell me that you are alright & feeling better. I really ought to count this as my big letter but you stand so I will write another by next Monday. For days letter was rec'd & blow after the wonderful one I got Friday (yesterday).

Thanks for your letter, Dick dear. Was glad to hear from you again. Will write another by Monday. Today is Sunday. Thanks send my best wishes for a peaceful day, — also expressions to uncle, Mrs. Eggaard & Mr. Dole

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Helen + Helen sent home to-day Leslie

April 10, 1914.
Thursday.

Precious Hubby dear: —

Got yr 2 Tuesday letters and am very happy that you are now feeling better. Must forget, have often to eat regularly, and take the best of care of yourself, otherwise you will soon have trouble with your tummy again.

I had meant to tell you to go ahead with your assault case, and to get as much out of it as you can. Am sorry that you didn't send the divorce case, but "you should worry". We hope you send something out of that Cola case.

Have just returned from the ward. Henry & Helen are getting along nicely. They could go home to-day but the weather is rather raw, & I think it wisest to leave them here until to-morrow. Fanya is coming down to see them this afternoon and if the weather clears up, they may go home with her. Both of them had their tonsils & adenoids removed. I got up to the ward early this morning, and brought ice cream for the bunch of them. Here were three little poor kiddies, & sure did feel sorry for them. There is a dear little baby boy there, he is about 18 months old & I wish you could see such a dear, good baby. He was operated on both mastoids. The whole hospital is crazy about "Billy". He is so good — never cries, — and so lovable. I must always go over to see Billy when I take a run there.

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No doubt it is the spring weather coming on that makes me so tired, but dear, I sure am. Lucille Harris came up to see me last night, and poor thing

had to stand in the hall for about ½ hr. waiting for me.
I ran up to the ward, met Rose + Sadie Englander.
Tante Rosie, Uncle J. + Faige came also.

Shall close now pussie, with all my love,
hugs + kiss to the dearest kitty – all the world.

Enclosing[illegible]

Frances

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April 11, 1919.

Precious Love Heart: —

Just received your darling, wonderful letter of Wednesday, which I shall answer on Monday. Am patiently waiting to hear from you in answer to my Monday letter, in which I suggested the possible daddy in my trip. Honey, love, you understand, don't you, that it is from no desire of mine that I suggest it, as it is costing me a great amount of sacrifice. Yet I see no other way. I shall certainly try, to make it on the following Thursday, which will mean just a week more. The question of my ticket bothers me, but I think Mr. Kamin ought to be able to do it in a week. don't you. When I read in to-day's letter how you were planning for me (as) - I felt simply awful.

I am going home to-day mother's, first thing this afternoon as I have not seen mom since Tuesday night. I had intended to leave up home last night, but, due to the weather, I decided I felt simply fit for nothing. I shall leave early to-day, so I shall have ample time. Rose tells me mom is feeling as usual, and pretty soon comes pneumonia, and you know what that means. A week from to-morrow, however, and mom will have the proper care. Henry is home, so of

course, it is to be expected his throat feels sore. Don't speak to Mama about Grace's going down to-day, and let Jean come in to-morrow's letter.

I am very busy now, look, so I shall have to close, with all my love, Look, and Grace.

Yours tenderly
Frances.

F. Freedman

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April 1st, 1919
Monday. -

Precious, Hubby dear: —

Since I have read your Thursday letter I have been terribly miserable. Thought of you all day yesterday — and oh! the load in my heart! Honey, dear, I have suffered frightfully as I told you in Saturday's letter, I do not see any other way out, but to leave things as they now are planned and I will be with You ~~May~~ 10. Have rec'd your ~~Friday~~ Monday letter and am so very, very sorry that you were unable to sleep all Thursday night. I know just how much you suffered & are suffering, and dear, that is what almost drives me crazy. Come, dear, brace up, and I promise You I shall be with You Sat. May 10th. Why did you write "I want you to leave May 1st, but if you don't want to, then the 5th at the latest"? Honey, how could you, after all that I have explained the reason for the trip has to be delayed. "I don't want to"? In faith, my Sat + Fri. days letter I felt as though you are resigning yourself to the idea that this change in our plans was satisfactory to me. Honey, I hope by now, you see the thing as it is, and remember, dear, that I love you just as much as You love me, and this separation is torturing me just as much. When I come home love, which honey will be soon, very soon, we will talk it over, and I am sure you will see that I did only what I should have done. May 1st will be a terrible day for me, for I had looked forward to it for so long a time but I only hope that the next few days will soon pass. It will be impossible for me to leave on the 1st. — dear, if there was any, any chance at all, there is me, I should take it — but look dear, the 9th will see me off. There will be absolutely no hitch here in the department as I told You. In Sat letter they have already engaged the room. Where it was for [illegible] illness

Saturday's letter. I do not see any other way out, but to leave things as they now are planned and I will be with you May 10. Have rec'd your Friday's letter and am so sorry, & very sorry that you were unable to sleep all Thursday night. I know just how much you suffered & are suffering, and dear, that is what almost drives me crazy. Come, dear, brace up, and I promise you I shall be with you Sat. May 10th. Why did you write "I want you to leave May 1st, but if you don't want to, then the 5th at the latest"? Honey, how could you, after all that I have explained the reason the trip has to be delayed. "I don't want to"? In fact, Sat + Fri. days letter, I felt as though you are resigning yourself to the idea that this change in our plans was satisfactory to me. Honey, I hope by now, you see the thing as it is, and remember, love, that I love you just as much as you love me, and this separation is torturing me just as much. When I come home love, which honey will be soon, very soon, we will talk it out, and I am sure you will see that I did only what I should have done. May 1st will be a terrible day for me, for I had looked forward to it for so long a time but I only hope that the after days will soon pass. It will be impossible for me to leave on the 1st. — dear, if there was any, any chance at all, believe me, I should take it, — but look dear, the 2nd will see me off. There will be absolutely no hitch but if there does as I told you. Sat letter they have already engaged the room. Well it is not for a month unless this man would have released me on the 15th. — it was the unfortunate lines of events that caused me to ask that to be on the 10th May 1st. And, honey dear, if anything

happen that the man engaged does not show up, I shall lose my ardor. Honey, dear, always remember how much I love you, and how much I want to be with you, want you? Really & truly how much it has cost me, to have to tell you it will be a week more before I am with you. Tell me dear how much you love me, want you, when you write again?

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Tomorrow I shall be with my mother. Ray Lawrence and the baby are going to be with them. The Entire is rushing this letter through, as I want to write as much as I possibly can — and then when I am there here, I shall go right home to your mother's house. I suppose mom will be terrible to-night — as Papa's absence & you away will sure make it anything but a happy passover.

I was so happy to read in my letter this morning that you are going to look for rooms next week. You are such a dear wonderful precious hubby — is it any wonder that I am crazy in love with you? Is it any wonder that I rave to everyone about you? I simply adore you dear and wait & see what is going to call quits once I come down next week & see you at that station! Just wait & see, that's all! Get whatever you think best in the matter 7 rooms, honey. I don't really mind whether it is 7 - 3 or 4 rooms. Whatever my hubby picks out — suits me! "All oh want is mah lovin honey man". And dear heart, I sure do want you — for, love you! Dear, love doesn't cover my affection. I just crave & pine and long for you all day. — very happy to know you won't have any trouble getting the rooms with a bath.

Dearest, what do you suppose the Government sent Mom + I? Two — two more checks! So Mama wrote to kindly send back "90 - I mis — 219. I shall then that check back with my compliments & "no mo" What do you say? Also let me know whether I shall ship your trunk, in case by the time I pack, they have not called for them. One of the men here is getting me a packing case. Which I shall

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matter what should turn up — I go! I have often wished that I had bought my ticket long ago for May 15th. then I should have just had to go, and my conscience would not bother me. But, dear I suppose things are best so, and honey, love, May 10th = — I shall be in my precious hubby's arms. Will you kiss and hug me, love? Just a little bit, eh? God! only knows how much I miss and long for you, love,

About Zeida, we will leave before Pass over so either he will come with us, or very soon after. Which ever way they decide home. For each of us — it will be the "memphis Special — loved here. He would have until then come out of the Hospital. as it can be arranged no other way.

Well, honey, Bill is down in Atlanta with Mama and happy. And I wish I was hearing when she did see Oh! love, how I wished & wished! She sure did look Stunning when she left. Barney, she writes has a wonderful office & is doing extremely well. She writes the weather is simply wonderful down South now.

I meant to write during the week, how happy I was that you passed your 2nd degree Master, but I was so upset, it slipped my mind. I sure am happy dear, and am happy too, that you have passed passed right thru & the 3 degrees — or rather got it to Uncle Morris. Will you hear anything more love, about the N. Republic?

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In Ada's letter to me, she wrote me & to advise her, what I need for the home as she is going to send me something and I may give as well know what I need. Isn't that wonderful of her?

of course I shall write her + tell her not to dare send me a thing - as you remember she sent me those cheese + cracker biscuits before we were married. She speaks of you in the letter - I shall send you the letter to-morrow perhaps - and you can read it yourself and see how lonely that poor girl is. Just it a pity, isn't?

Now precious, I am so glad to see that you are feeling better - and that the disappointment has somewhat worn off. Don't feel too badly about it, but take it in the sensible way. I shall be down on the 10th if I have to break my neck to get there. See! I am still making some work + searching for me, but I shall manage somehow. I hope by May 1st to have little to worry about besides my teeth.

I received another increase earning now 4/-. I'm pretty glad, what do you say? Pop has left the place he was at + is now again with my uncle. Although he is making nice money - I feel that he is working too hard. Mum says that she hopes soon, to have him just all together. When Edna earns a little, you see it will make a big difference.

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The friend of his, Mr. Prosser, whom you met, had to
undergo an operation recently, the more shrapnel re-
moved. That means about another 6 mo. in the
hospital.

I have not heard how Henry is to-day, but I hope he is improving. He seemed to have suffered the most of the 3 (Kibbie who had their tonsils and adenoids removed. Will let you know in to-morrows letter how both Henry + Mona are feeling. It is now only a matter of a few days and Mona will receive proper care and attention. Now, Dear, see ——, if I were to start to-morrow (the 15th) on my vacation, I would be away the entire time Mama was here. As to Aunt Flossie — well — I dont see how you can prevent her going to see Mama when she is hurt, — besides Mama doesn't want us to do or say anything — asked so we will let things just take the course. Shall tell you all when I see you.

We hope Uncle Morris finds something for Mama. You have no idea how anxious Mama is to come down. I read her extracts of your letter in which you wrote about her coming down and she was happy to hear Uncle Morris is considering her welfare. If Uncle Morris has a chance dear I think he ought to drop Mama a line, don't you?

Well, honey, I must close to-day with a close now, and always remember how much I love you. Now just be sensible about my coming down May 15th and keep on being the good loving, dear lad you are. No more blues, I hear? Tell me how much you love me, will you? Am sending you heaps + heaps love + loads of it! millions of kisses

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To-day, honey, I would love to draw this to a close now, and always remember how much I love you. Now, just be sensible about my coming down May 15th and keep on being the good loving, dear kiddy you are. No more blues, I hear? Let me how much you love me, will you? Am sending you heaps heaping love — loads of it! millions of kisses, and only one hug — but some hug! Tight, tight one. You know — until you tell, for Heaven's sake — quit!

Everlovingly
Frances.

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Monday.
April 14, 1919.

Honey Love: —

Will write you again to-day. With all the excitement of a lot of company again yesterday (Sunday) and trying to get some sewing done, your letter was not posted. Am writing this early this morning, so that you may get it at tiffin or else the first thing the next day.

Although I worked so hard yesterday & under big difficulties, I did not accomplish all I expected to. Will run home several times during the week & so make up for it.

How are you look, - over the blues? Will write you again to-day, so shall close now with all my love, hugs & kisses,

Everlovingly
Frances

Take good care of yourself, dear!

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April 15. 1919.
Tuesday: —

Dearest Love Hubby: —

How is my precious darling Hubby to-day? Honey dear, I do hope you feel better. Take care of yourself, dear, or I shan't love you even a tiny little bit. Let me know, dear, how you are, dear heart, how I miss & long for you. I dreamt of you all night, & awoke very early this morning. I did not sleep anymore, and spent that entire time with you. I saw you meeting me at the station, oh! wasn't happy! I saw you take me to our home and dear, how we did hug and kiss one another. Dear, Sunk how these few remaining weeks are torturing. They do not pass at all! And now another week had to be added. Well, Love, three weeks can not last forever, — they have to pass, and I sure do wish they pass quickly. And you, my darling precious Hubby dear. Let me know, dear heart, how you are feeling.

Well, honey, how did you spend last night? You can picture the Sader home, dear. Love, how I missed you. I was very happy that Lewis & Weitzman & Ida came up in the evening to see how Louis carries on. Were it not for him, I don't know how Mrs. would have carried on. Thank God it is over with! To-night I am going to my mothers House.

You sure are a wonder! Think of what you accomplished Sat.! Honey, dear, I am so happy; & do hope the cases continue to come in. They simply must! Do you got another divorce case? Didn't I tell you they are your specialty? That letter & bill you made to-

dear. how you are. dear heart, how I miss & long for you. I dreamt of you all night, & awoke very early this morning. I did not sleep anymore, and spent that entire time with you. I saw you meeting me at the station, oh! were we happy! I saw you take me to our home and dear, how we did hug and kiss one another. dear, sure how these few remaining weeks are torturing. They do not pass at all! and now another week had to be added. well, last, three weeks cannot last forever, — they have to pass, and I sure do wish they pass quickly. And you, ? my darling precious hubby dear. Let me know, dear heart, how you are feeling.

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Am informing everyone here that I am leaving soon, to join my darling Hubby dear. It is amusing to hear to regrets they express. One would think they really care for me. You should hear Mrs. Smallman Honey, you can continue to send your letters to the dispensary marking your letter of Sunday April 7th the last one here. I will get that Tuesday. (Just got your letter of Sunday April 13th). After that look, send them to 70 Somers St. You must have to write many sheets, Oh, Love? You will not write after Sunday May 3rd. + I shall write to you until the day I leave. Alright? See how much more I love you?

I will write to you 2 days more after you quit writing to me. Will write you the big letter Sunday therefore as I shall be on duty that day. Will try to get away in the afternoon, however,

Millions of kisses + kisses + loving love.

Everlasting

Frances.

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Is your life a dream devoid,
Empty of all bliss-enjoyed
Bygone days? Is Faith destroyed?

If your world seems so to be,
Then I know you long for me
Half as much as I for thee!

Do you miss me, tell me true,
Half as much as I miss you?

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April 16, 1919.
Wednesday. —

Darling Hubby: —

To-day is simply miserable. Rained practically all yesterday, but to-day is police. Just coming down in buckets full, and it looks as though it were never, never going to stop. All your letters this week have been so appealing that however busy I just felt like leaving everything go & just come down. But dear, after all, it is impossible for me to start as we originally planned, on May 1st. — But look out May 8th I shall start and be with you on the 10th. That will be only a week later —

As to mom honey, she is feeling about the same. There can be absolutely no improvement while she stays here in fact I feel that she is only harming herself. You can realize how impossible it is for her to take care of herself, for at home. Henry's tonsils have healing up nicely but now he is in bed with bronchites. He certainly is a delicate child. Helen is up around and out. She suffered very little. Dear you ought to write to mom more often - if you have the time. You asked me, dear, if I love my lonesome hubby. Do I thought, honey! What do you think? I cut the little verse from a magazine. It seems so appropriate.

Do you miss me, tell me true
Half as much as I miss you?

Do you?

I do hope the time passes quickly. Two weeks to-day I quit Millenic. That will quickly pass. Then one week more — and I shall be with you.

How look, did you spend these 2 days of Mass over? does much observe the holidays? Let me know how you spent your evenings. And remember, honey, I want you to go out and meet people. — not more socially - hear? It is but for your business, and then too, you will have a circle of friends to visit. That is what you told me you were going to do, isn't it? Brace up, look, and get out more.

Just rec'd your Monday letter. Am sorry you did not send the R. Republican but to repeat — your sentiments "You should worry". It'll come some other way. Hear, I am sure happy you got 25 out of that case. It comes along alright, alright!

Thats right keep on taking a letter when necessary. Happy to know your tummy is a little better. Simply keep on using care. But dear — you must get over the blues — hear? otherwise I'll not love you anymore.

With all my love & kisses to my precious hubby dear, and all my love,

Your lonesome
Wifie.

Am enclosing Ada's letter. This is where you are fooled again. However Love, this letter is key'in 'em better 'no the one I got. You sure are getting to be a stingy hubby. Wrote me several tips ones this week. Don't forget to pay me back. Wonder why how you made out at the races to-night. Certainly hope so.

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April 18, 1919.
Friday: -

Hanky: —

Do not know why I did not get my letter at the usual time to-day, but hope it comes in the next mail. Suppose it's delay is due to Uncle Moore's case.

The circus gave a performance on the Bellevue grounds to-day. It sure was dandy, and I as well as the kids enjoyed it. You will probably see parts of it in the movies.

Went home last night and did a little sewing. Am very tired to-day. If Mr. Smale can leave me off early enough, I shall do some shopping before I come up to your mother's house. There are so many things that I want to get. Honey, before I forget, will you be sure & get an iron, so that when I come I shall be able to press my clothes, as I expect to receive them in a fierce crushed condition. I will not be able to wear a thing until it is pressed, so don't forget.

Nothing more that I can think of, so shall close with all my best hugs & kisses,

Your loving little
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Saturday: —
April 19, 19.

Dearest Harley Dear! —

Rec'd your precious letter yesterday in the next to mail - which was 2:30 p.m. It sure was a relief to me, as I left early and hard! I didn't want it to get until p.m. day. It's had enough to wait from day to day.

The weather had been ideal all day, and just as soon as I stepped out doors, it began to rain. Isn't that beat that! It has rained every Friday for months and months! We hope it have fooled the weather man when it comes to my trip. Perhaps when I postpone it - I got him riled up. Hope so anyway. If not I'm going to shake him.

Our anticipations to know how you made out, have been made sure. Am sure you did see it there. You know alright, alright! We miss Lucy, but, that I was here to see you! It must be some big case if it requires 2 days. So far you haven't told me what it is all about so don't forget "ah want to know."

So you were looking at a little cottage? Your sure have me anxious to get it that little home of ours. And to you? Oh no! We sure are going to be wonderfully happy once we are together again. What do you say? As to the choosing of rooms don't be too hasty dear, just look about and get the best you can as there

is still plenty of time. Honey just 3 more shots to-day!
I guess that time will soon pass, don't you think?

well, honey to-morrow I write that big letter
& hope when I go over I get a big fat one from
you. If I don't, then I know you don't love me
anymore.

Shall close with all my love, hugs & kisses to
my darling precious hubby. Pretty soon I won't
have to write but ——————→

Endearingly
Your Wifie
France.

Expect mom will be down to-day to enter the
hospital.



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Sunday
April 26, 1914

Mr. Harry Hart: ——

When I rec'd your Saturday's letter yesterday I knew you did it just to me — as it was anything but the big letter I expected. Suppose I ought to punish you by writing you a little one to-day — oughtn't I?

Mom is in the Hospital having entered yesterday. I was so happy when she came in as I feel it is the only thing for her. When I told Mr. Kelly, she was as happy as can be. She is going to see Mom on Monday as she is not down at the Hospital To-day (Sunday). The visiting doctor to Mom is Dr. Kinnicutt the biggest heart specialists. Mom certainly could never get the medical attention at home that she will get here. And then, too, the rest, which is more than important. I was up to see Mom in the afternoon and spent about 2½ hours with her after supper. Then Sadie Englander came up in the afternoon. Mom came down with her. To-day Sally & Rose are coming up. I have just come down from the ward, having spent about 3/4 of an hour with Mom. All day yesterday, the result of the excitement, Mom gave up to a terrible hard hic-cough. She interested all the internes and I am sure that through Mr. Kelly Mom will have all the doctors interests in her. Henry is feeling OK now, and just as soon as Mom comes out, I do hope everything will be alright. Poor Rose has a lot resting on her shoulders. You can well imagine how she felt having Mom enter the Hospital, — and now the responsibility of the house rests on her. As to Santo Rosio, they were so much as told her when Mom

left. She might see Mum, (wrote Faye) on Friday, and of course Mum was thinking of entering Bellona. She never as much as asked how she was feeling or when she was go to suppose when she finishes out. She not even think this ac as the injured party. You know her. I do hope she doesn't c into the Hairpal and raise a pumpkin. I shouldn't put it past her. On the whole, I think Mum feels better.

Sure am happy, too, that you saw your uncle's case just felt for you more. It made Mum particularly happy. I got your letter just as Mum came home and that was the first thing I told her. It cheered her up a bit. I feel as though that will be the means of having Mum come down all the sooner; just as you wrote in your letter I'll bet Uncle Morris was as happy as a lark you was when you got the verdict. Eh? Our century Davy boy, that your big letter with not come until Fri. morning, it did not come yesterday. You are cruel, cruel!

"I wonder I don't love you anymore?" Sure I wonder simply because you don't love me, and because you write such stingy letters. Oh, honey, three weeks from Fri. day, I'll be with you! To think of spending a Christmas Sunday together of us! Pretty, pretty soon you shall have your dream come true. Will you be happy? Oh dear, I think of being in our own home! Only two and a half weeks more! I'm fly. Next week, I expect, I'll buy my ticket. Will let Mum know just as soon as I do. Fri. says simply glorious! I And writing this sitting down near the water. You remember that little old beach facing the water, don't y

I do hope Fanny that by the time I come home you will be a full fledged mason. Fact is, I am sure you will be. I too, am very happy you joined. I can't I became a member of the Eastern Star or whatever they call the lady's organization connected with the masons! There is an organization of that kind here in the city. Anyway, if I can't, I shall be able to sit with you in their affairs. Uncle Morris must be happy over it.

There are 2 boys in a row boat paddling around the river. The sun is a warm and as bright as can be. There is a gentle breeze, enough to keep the air cool + clear. Oh Fanny! I do have you here! It certainly does feel like a Summer's day. Birds chirping all over and the sun simply sparkles on the water. Everyone around the hospital is happy. It is Easter Sunday, the flowers, + outdoors everyone is all togged up. I am saving my fine togs for you, and I sure do look like a poor church mouse.

Mr. + Mrs. Lippman were down to see me on Friday night. I told Mr. Lippman you had written me that he wrote you. Gosh! He sure does like you. I had 3 more of those pictures (post cards) printed, and gave him one. The other I cut to fit my locket. It sure does look wonderful. I keep opening it up about a million times a day to look at my hubby. Just the head looks out at me from its frame and seems to say, so appealingly to me "When are you coming to your Jonesy & Dolly?" I shall be down pleasantly soon. Three weeks from yesterday - that will be May 10th the third picture. I gave to Ray, as she wanted it badly

I am certainly sorry here that I was not able to have a picture snapped decently of myself so that I could send it to you. I took a roll of pictures (18 in all) and of the 18 only 9 came out. They were not exposed either, but Mrs. Sullivan (the one that developed them) thinks something is wrong with the shutter of the camera. I was very sorry indeed as I had hoped to have snapped of well just before she left and I did so want to have them. Of that entire roll of 6 - not one came out and I am very disappointed. The snaps that I am sending you of the baby, were mostly snapped by me, and they are about the only ones which came out anyway decently. I think the films were poor as I notice the pictures are all scratched and one in which Mrs was holding the baby the baby was wonderful but there was a hole in the film right where Helen's face was, so of course they didn't print it. I had some time trying to snap Lady Helen as you can readily see from the expression and position of those around her. She simply would not keep still, the little darling. I can't, I do want to try to describe to you how wonderful she is. Wonderful & beautiful are the only words which cover it. The one I took in uniform was snapped by Mrs Sullivan in the dispensary. She and I snapped my bicycle but didn't turn out. (The ink in my fountain pen ran out hence the pencil as I am still sitting down here near the river). In the picture where Helen looks so small we tried to erect a little grand stand for her - the grand stand consisted of an inverted wash boiler covered with a

blanket. Ray is on the left hand side of the picture & it is I that is sitting on the ~~left~~ right hand side. They printed 2 pictures of me, but they were so miserable looking, I had them snapped the day following the receipt of your miserable letter, that I destroyed them. You would never have recognized them as being me. I sure did look as I felt. will try my luck again tom. Ever, as soon as I have the camera looked over. I'm very sorry Lucy that of all the pictures I had snapped there is not a single decent one of me. However you can see for yourself the sort of a baby Helen is now!

I shall send you back from Troy, as the ashes ~~of last~~ & I can't upholster I wrote to you or not. I am going to take a run up again to see her. will try to get off for the afternoon & run home & so that I can do something. The time is getting short now, you know.

Am sorry dear I can't make this as long as I would like to, but will do better next time. Shall close, precious with all my love, hugs & kisses which, soon, very very soon, I will be able to give you personally. I shall close

Everlovingly

Your little wife

Make your next Sunday's letter, the last one addressed to the Hasp.









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Memphis, Tenn.

April 21, 1919.

Dearest Huntley Dear: ——

Just received your Friday letter this morning and sure was happy to get it. Took it up and read it to Mom and Daddy, she sure was pleased particularly about the Store. I have talked this over with Mom, and she thinks just as I do. You see honey, from your letter, I take it for granted that the Store must be ideally placed for a pharmacy. Is it? and honey, you failed to tell me the rent. Now, dear, I think before you do anything find out if I can run the place as a registered pharmacist. I figure this way — if the rent of the whole thing is high, and you have to pay it for about 2 or 3 months without any commensation from it, and then, when we do open it, we have the expense of a registered pharmacist — it will require quite an.

output of money. Do you understand? What does Einstein say? As I take it Wall Morris is going to put up the money and that man is to invest only "for". Is that right? You know, Etheinne, my bills could be done with Morris "for" — that is — if Wall Morris is not helping. As to me, honey, if you feel that the proposition is a good one, my living in the 3 rooms with out a bath is perfectly alright. We will manage, and as you say, it is only for a few months. That can soon be remedied, the thing is honey, to see that the investment will be alright. Figure out with Wall if it is worth the spending of the big rent and as to the "paper of reciprocity". If this will not pay, then we can see what can be done when I come down. Just as soon as I can get Dr. Kelly to talk to for any length of time, I am going to ask her about your taking the trip. It may be that Mom's heart will not be able to stand it. For I think that you will have to just now. take the best of care of her self now, or the least thing will put her down + out again. So honey, you go ahead if you think it will pay, for as to me I can know that I can manage for the time. If Mom is unable to go down I should like to see her there as soon after I can down as possible.

As to the checks, neither Mom nor I have done a thing. We both were too upset to talk about it. I have the check, and I think I will mail it to them later on, and let them to kindly let me know about the other 44. The only check + error of which came by mistake is for the

you. Check & rec'd. but the £ was worn 99.
And then I let the man know that I shall
pay them off gradually when I am able
to. You know the "Kut" that Teacher Henry
Hebrew rec'd a similar letter, which he
ignored then rec'd another which he did
the same - and now he does not hear any
thing further about it. What do you say
about it?

Honey dear, I meant to ask you how
about the other story in the house you
spoke of. Is it rented? or do you mean there
are only 3 rooms in all? Now dear, you
wrote to keep the store until Sept or
Oct. Now from May 1st, that will mean
$ or 5 mo. rent being paid for an idle
store.

You have done wonderfully - $3 is dandy!
I only hope it keeps up. As to mule's case
why, honey, that is only what I expected
dear, I should have given everything
to have been in court after the verdict

was pronounced. Would you have been happy? Oh, honey, when ever I see you in court, I can picture Uncle. He certainly ought to have been happy.

Dear, I can't express to you how sorry I was to read that Uncle did not have a "Seder". You sure must have felt badly those 2 nights. Never mind honey next year please God, we will make up for it.

Mom says she is feeling better, and I spoke to the head nurse this morning & she, too, thinks mom is better. I tried to reach the doctor. Quite this morning while he was on the ward making his rounds, but as soon as the nurse called me up, he left. He only stayed a few minutes. I tried to

send him in the other words, as I would like to know just what he thinks of mama. I could not send him, but looked into Mr. Kelly. We both looked about, but he had left the hospital. Mr. Kelly told me she would look mama over and let me know if she improved. So far I have not seen her. Mama asked me to send you her case. I think she took better, and that she talks better. She could get out of breath when she used to talk, and it seemed rather difficult for her to talk very much. Her heart seems to have quieted down, she says, but she is still troubled with sleeplessness. None of the doctors will give her anything as they are afraid it will depress the heart, & all are of the same opinion that as soon as the heart regains its strength, sleep will come naturally. They are dieting her only allowing her milk. I guess in a few days, they will give her cereals etc.

Am very sorry Love you're having still bothers you. If it continues, ask Mr. Winslow to give you something. Perhaps calomel will help you. I know all southerners have to use it occasionally. Let me know how it is getting along; and as I say if you don't feel better see Mr. Winslow — or better

yet. a doctor.

This will sort of make up for my yesterday's letter, eh? You know you are my best heart hubby, and I want you to be as happy as you can until I am with you. I guess I do love you more than you do, after all. What do you say? well, to prove it tell me in your next letter how much you love me. We could see as to who will call quits in that station first! only wish I could get on that station already!

I will close now precious, with all my love, hugs & kisses. Was up to see you about 5 times yesterday & to-day, have already been up twice & will go up this afternoon again and also this evening. will keep you posted as to how I feel. Enclosing

Yours with love Frances.

Have just opened this up to say that I am feeling fine. Am to have my tea now. Hubby keep down is improving. Will write you tomorrow. The sun is shining beautifully.

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April 23, 1919.
Wednesday: —

Dearest Lost Heart: —

How is my precious Hubby dear to-day? It sure is wonderful out. Well, Lookie dear, only a week more in Bellaire & I quit just a week to-day. Next Monday is proclaimed a holiday, & if the Bank is closed that makes it only 5 more days here. although they probably will expect me in on the Monday. I will make good use of it, as I am off on Sunday. In those 2 days I hope to accomplish quite a lot. And then, honey back, two weeks from-to-morrow! Where will I start for? And to whom?

As to the case, Lost, the railroad will allow me a case. It will come on the same train with me. Won't have the express expenses by sending it by freight.

Mom is feeling better. Improving all the time. The only thing is that she can't sleep, - and that is terrible. The doctors claim as her heart regains its normal condition sleep will come naturally. To-night Larson, he said he would give her something to produce sleep. I spoke to the ward doctor & he says she is getting along nicely. Each day he gives her a thorough examination. Mr. Kell saw him about Mom's case and told the Dr. to tell Mom that she is kept so busy that she finds it impossible to get up as often as she would like to. There is always a lot a people looking for her. thats a fact.

Henry came up yesterday to see Mum. He is looking well and his tonsils are entirely healed. Lena & Bertha brought him down, & I then I went up found Lena Rosie & Mark Jack there. Somehow or other I couldn't talk to them & ignore them so entirely, that I afterwards felt sorry. I didn't even say Hello to either of them — ignored them as though they never existed. Somehow I couldn't help it, although I afterwards felt sorry. Rose says Everything is going along nicely at home.

Well Lovey Love, I shall soon be with you. How happy with you be? Only a little bit, eh?

Shall close with all my love, hugs, & kisses to my precious hubby Love,

Your everlasting "wifie",

Frances

Just rec'd your Monday letter. Honey, unless you take the house with the stove in for Mum, don't take a place without a bath. I can't picture how we can get thro the hot months without one, unless, of course there is no other choice. Rooms get a smaller place as a bath is essential.

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Precious Hubby dear! ——

In yesterday's letter you wrote of that case for Pa. Stems brother. Honey, dear, I sure do hope you make that "go on it. Don't that be wonderful? You sure are doing marvelous and Lord! Honey, how I long to be with you. I'll start, please God, 2 weeks from to-day. When I come down, Lord, I am going to spend the entire day with you — every day —. I'm going to be with you when you are in the office and when you go to court, I'm going there, too, so I can just keep on seeing my precious hubby dear try a case.

Mom is feeling better. Her heart is compensating nicely. The doctor, however, had to give her something to produce sleep. I think if only that sleeplessness could be overcome Mom would pick up wonderfully well. Even the doctor says she is going along nicely. Meant to tell you, the same day I wrote you about Mom's diet, they gave her solid food. Cereals, broths, chicken etc. I brought up some ice cream last night and Mom sure enjoyed it. Will bring her some again this afternoon.

So hope the weather continues to keep nice until I come down, — or perhaps you love me. I know just how you feel, precious as the weather is simply wonderful, here, too. Just 2 weeks & 2 days more Love, and I shall be in your arms, — and are you going to love me if the weather does not happen to be nice? You know I am a regular hoodoo when it comes to weather — and so want to make sure if you will love me, if the

weather does not happen to be nice

Just rec'd your Tuesday letter. From your letter honey, it sounds wonderful. I know, a talk and all those improvements! And for $10! Why, honey, that sure is fine! As to amount. I guess I can manage alright as we will be separated and I need not come too much in contact with her — I don't think now that I should care to very much. Now, I am just so happy that as soon as I can I am going to run up & tell mom. So honey, our home is going to be started! I am so happy about the baths. I am sure it is going to look wonderful. Now as long as they are going to do the peace over, see to it that they choose pretty paper and pretty colors for the painting. Was Uncle Morris & Mr. Solomon are breeks! What about that proposition concerning the drug store?

With all my love kisses & love from mom

I'll close

Lovingly
Frances

How is your "tummy?" Yes hope alright.

J. M. Friedman

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April 24/1919

dearest Hubby in all the world! —

Just rec'd your darling big letter of Wednesday. Honey, talk about being happy! You are just wonderful! And look, once I get down, well ——— what do you think is going to happen? Do you think I am even going to stop kissing and hugging you? Lovey, lovey — the time is getting nearer. Only two weeks from to-morrow and I shall be in your arms. Precious, dear, will you be happy?

As to my case Lovey, I am going to take it with me just as you did your trunk. It will save us a few dollars, and don't you think it best? Honey, look, tell me again who I shall have call for it? Was it Adams or shall I call the people at the Penn. Station. Dear, I have already got the case and they are going to send it home for me personally to-day. This Mr. Emanuel I spoke about, sure did a lot for me. He went all over the place, and picked out the best, strongest box the had, dumped out its contents, had a heavy cover made to fit it, lined the flaps with some thin boards and wired the ends of the case. Besides this I mentioned that I would need handles on the case so he got some heavy iron handles, and had them screwed on each side of the case. Now he is going to get one of the drivers take it home for me. I sure did not know how to thank him. Now, honey, I

that it best to book it for my ticket don't you? You are a perfect dear, to want to unpack it for me, darlie, before I came, - but since it will come quite right, you will help me when it does come. do you think, love that I can have it taken over to our bank Saturday sure? You see, I will want to use some of the things. I will have the man call for it on Wednesday, the day before I leave, and ask him to have it on the same train I do. Is there anything else, honey - that you can suggest? I will get my ticket either Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. Will let you know just when I do get it. Believe me love, I do begin to feel like D'm going.

Mum's heart has improved wonderfully and she says she feels much better. She slept 3 hours of an even record last night. She is, however, extremely nervous, and that is what causes her sleeplessness the doctors say. They tell her to get everything off her mind. She worries too much, I think. You see honey, I don't see how you manage about mum's mail here. By the time you get this I guess mum may, (I hope so) be out. Best bend it home, and if mum should still be here, Rose can bring it down. Mr. Kelly promised me he would be up the afternoon to see mum and I shall see her to-morrow. As to the flowers, I shall get some for mum - that's alright don't worry about the money. Since mum has been here, there has been 3 deaths in the ward, and this upsets mum. I wanted her to go into a private room - but she won't do it. It is terrible in the ward, as you does not sleep much she can sit up and the nurses see her & come over & talk to her

In a private room it is certainly convenient. However I hope Mom will soon be discharged and, as she says, it is best to stay where she is. If Mom was not so nervous these things would not bother her. She would sleep, and forget what she saw, if she did happen to see. But on account of [illegible] these things have a tendency to upset her. But, on the whole, I am happy to say, she is much, much better.

I must close now Love. All my love kisses & [illegible] to the dearest kitty in all the world. Give my kindest regards to all down South and tell them very soon I shall be shaking hands with them all.

Everlovingly,
Frances.

Even our new address sounds wonderful. Believe me I want to get it, know it by heart already. 580 Mc Linley St. Memphis Tenn. (Mrs. J. M. Freeman!) Ahem! Who am dat lady?

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April 26, 1919
Saturday. —

Dearest Honey Love; —

Just rec'd your darling letter of Thursday. Well, honey love, just 2 weeks from to-day and you shall see me at the Memphis station. Will you be happy? Will you, dear? Dont the time can't come too quickly for me.

Mom is considerably better. I do think that she will be allowed out of bed in a day or two, and after that it is only a matter of several days before she will be discharged. She slept of her own accord again last night. Slept for about 3½ hours. It was a terrible night, as they have in a very sick patient and she required a good part of the night. Mom slept through all that however, so you see it is very encouraging. She feels much much better. I run up as often as I can. Now, that my time is growing short I go home to Mom as much as possible to get a little sewing done, and these last 2 nights I did not stay with Mom, as I have been, for the entire Evening. But I think Mom is feeling so much better that time does not hang so heavily on her hands. I take up a lot of magazines & the daily papers, & then she is well enough now to talk with the other patients in the ward. As to Rose she is managing wonderfully

will read your letter to mom about the drug store proposition.

Am very happy dear, that you got pensions little job. Starving manage the rest of the time, so does things sure look bright don't they? Am very happy too, dear, that the calomel helped you. Are you feeling better now? We hope so, & remember to take good care of yourself. Let me know dear, if there is anything you would like for me to bring down for you when I come.

Shall close now dear, with all my best hugs & kisses.

Devotedly
Frances.

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April 27, 1919

Sunday: —

Precious Hubby dear: —

As sure as a bee getting ~~ready to~~ to start to my hubby dear. It is simply wonderful and what luck, have you done to day? I'll bet you, too, have been terribly busy.

Kay & Mendal are here with the children. Gosh, but that is some baby. Told Kay what you wrote about Helen, asking whether it was a doll or a baby.

Rose called me up - having been down to see Mama this afternoon. Mama up for about an half hour to day, and felt fine. That's encouraging, isn't it? Rose thinks Mama looks fine.

Well honey, only one more Sunday and then! Are you happy, love. Believe me I am. I am not going in to nurse - not honey, dear, that means no mail for me. Gosh! I don't know how I'll stand it till Tuesday. But your mail to 70 Somers St, don't forget.

Now, dear, do you know what I was thinking? Instead of fitting the 3rd room as a dining room, as I suppose you intended, to fit it up as a living room, or sort of library. In that way you could perhaps use it for your practice, and it would too make a more comfortable place to

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I suppose you intended, to fix it up as a living
room, or sort of library. In that way you could
perhaps use it for your practice, and it would be
make a more comfortable resting place for you Evenings.
The dining room, would be a stiff, uncomfortable room
and you really could not have a nice cozy place

in which to rest when tired. Let me know what you think about it.

Ray & Maude send you their best regards. And Helen, wants to see her uncle Jack. She is a dear. Ray says she is going to write, but when she does — I'll let you know.

Don't expect any more big letters. Dear — dear — dear.

Shall close with all my love, kisses and wishes for a — day — oh! happy, precious day, dear!

Yours lovingly,
Frances

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Tuesday
April 27, 1919

Dearest Dark Heart: —

You sure did fool me with your Saturday letter didn't you? Instead of enclosing a dainty letter to pad the envelope out, why didn't you write me another page full? In reply to your foolish question # 567H389 beg to state that "Yep! You got me right kiddo - happy, runs the words - happy!" I think hereafter I write you in a strictly business like way. How would you like to get a letter as follows

Jos. M. Freedman Atty
Husband —
Dear Sir: —
In reply to your recent com — . etc —

Now, I think it is improving nicely. She looks much better than she did and on the whole I feel that it will do her wonders. Of course when she comes out, she will have to take the best of care of herself, otherwise she will go right back again, only perhaps a little worse this time. I speak to her continually, & for a while she must have somebody come in & do her housework for her. Mrs Kelly says she will not be able to do it, & that settles it. She will do anything Mrs. Kelly says. As soon as I see a bigger improvement in Mom I am going to ask you to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Kelly and I am going to give her a nice gift. She is really wonderful. I spoke to Mrs. Kelly yesterday about Mom's taking the trip South, and she says that it will depend on Mom

condition at the time – as Mum is now, it is entirely out of the question. She thinks Mum will pick up quickly while at the Hospital. I told Mum when the time comes for her to come town, to go up & see Dr Kelly & have her examine her. I also told Mum that it is up to herself how soon she can come South, for the better care she takes of herself, the quicker she can come down. Also told her she has to cut out that cooking business, which she promised she would, except that she will have to attend to the setting up of a stove. Of course it will be about a month at least before Mum will be able to do anything like that. I would like to have Mum go away for a little while, as the change of air and scenery, I feel will do her wonders. I told Dr. Kelly all about you, told her I was leaving, and she was so happy to hear that you were discharged.

Answered Ada's letter yesterday, but did not get a chance to finish it. I suppose she will get it next year.

Am happy you got those shirts, as you surely must have needed them. I thought you were going to buy some a few weeks ago. Why didn't you?

Didn't I tell you how much I love you? Sure I love you just a tiny bit. Since that is all you want, I must displease you by sending you more. You see it is unnecessary eh? How is your "tummy" getting along my precious lovey huddy? Shall close with that tiny "kitchy" bit off back you asked for and a tiny little hug & kiss

Everlovingly Your Wifie

Have not been down since Thursday night. I came back on Sunday & Mum & Dad E. visited Mum – Dad E. is staying down 7 to-day. To-day I went up with Mum. Mum & Dad E. visited Mum – Dad E. is staying down 7 to-day. To-day I went up with Mum. Am writing this early so that I shall get it off to you

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April 28, 1919.
Monday.

Precious Hubby Love: —

Have been very busy to-day sewing. Accomplished a little — but oh, how busy & rushed I have been. Because it was blue day for me — no mail. To-morrow! I shall more than make up for it. Expect three! Lordy! But I shall have a treat. To-day there was a parade for the 69th which gave me an extra day off, and I sure was happy to get it.

Had my usual chills yesterday. Perhaps because I was home, I did not suffer so much. It sure does make a difference, alright. And believe me, I don't want any too much of that pain.

I think I shall take a run up to Rose to-night. She has been up to see mom to-day, and I am anxious to know how she is feeling.

How is my precious hubby dear? How is everything? Pretty soon now — are you, too, counting the days? It doesn't seem much longer any more, does it? Tell me how happy you will be when I come, and tell me if you love me.

Shall close dear, as I really have nothing interesting to write. Am sending you all my love, hugs & kisses.

Endearingly

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Lovingly,

Francis.

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J. M. Freedman, Atty,
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April 29, 1919.
Tuesday: —

Darling, Precious Hubby, mine: —

Although I received your 3 wonderful letters to-day, I have not had the chance to really enjoy them. I had to just read them there quickly as Mr. Swallow is not in to-day. He is laid up with a swollen foot. I shall be down to-morrow, as it he does not come in Thursday — I shall worry. I am positively not going to stay any longer. I quit to-day-day night the 30th of April. Dear, you can rest assured no little thing like that is going to prevent me from starting on May 8th. Oh Lord! I do hope & pray, that nothing prevents me from leaving on the 8th. No matter how I try, no matter how I work to have things come out easily & smoothly at the end they seem to muddle up beautifully. Now Mr. Swallow has to get sick. I have hopes of him coming in to-morrow, though. and if he does not — why — I just quit, that's all!

Dear, Mama's chest is improving wonderfully. during the She was out of bed for about 2½ hours last week afternoon. To-day, too, she expects that she will be all dressed up. Of course their terribly weak, but that will soon be over. She is nervous, as you know how a sick person is, crying and crying etc. but since her heart is strong, everything looks encouraging. I do hope next Saturday

see her home. Dear, you can write to Mr. Kelly immediately if you want as by the time you get and answer this, mom will be ~~home~~ home. Write to Mr. Catherine Kelly 419 E. 26th St. ~~The Clinic~~. c/o Bellevue The Clinic I am going to get something nice for her, soon. As to mom's going away, she says she would rather go home for a week first and then see what's what. I am sure she want want to go away, and so, perhaps home is best for her, after all. If only she will take things easy. Everything, dear, will be alright, so don't worry.

I am terribly busy now, love, so shall close with all my best hugs & kisses. Oh, Lucy, dear, when I came down —— happy, hey!

Everlovingly
Frances.

J. Freedman To Edmond St Bklyn N.Y.

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J. M. Freedman Atty
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April 30, 1909.
Thursday: —

Darling Kathy dear: —

I am enclosing the clippings taken from several of last night's evening papers. Every paper had the news. There were 2 reporters to the house while I was working & interviewed me, - asked for pictures etc. Mon Jose the Tribune reporter out of Willis' pictures, the same pose as the one I purchased, and they said they were going to publish it Sunday. The journal took the one in cap & gown the little one and now I am worried about getting the pictures back. What do you think of it? Were it not that Mrs. Smalley was away, I would have had a big article but what I put in 2 days, that I shall never forget. Talk about busy! Why in the last 2 days I put up 140 lbs not mentioning stacking up clinics, manufacturing, etc. I was too busy, really to bother much about it. If the Sunday papers should publish anything I'll send it to you.

Well, honey, boy dear, I start my vacation to-morrow & start in with the dentist in earnest. And one week from to-day I start off to my kathy dear, who is going to have my nose clean off. Terrible brutes that. And last ——— guess what! Bought my ticket & Pullman last night! Yep! Just to make sure. Together it cost me $46.39 - ticket was 38.83 Pullman 7.56. It sure was some struggle to get it. Everything just seemed to go wrong with me lately. Jesus sure enchanted when I came home. Rest

Lord, if I stayed suddenly slays resting about, I'm sure I'd drop dead. I got there at the happy day about 1:30, had to say a million good bye — and kisses! — threw everything into the valise and rushed up to see Mom before I left, turned over the key, forgetting that I could not get the valise without the key for the door, rushed back again for the key + then the valise, hugged that heavy thing in one hand my keys in the other to the town. Take them no matter when you come you have to stand in line for an hour and finally got my ticket + Pullman reservation. The train leaves 8.35 P.M. + is due in Memphis 11.15 Sat morning. Will telegram you, precisely from the station before I leave. Honey dear, I will ship the case on my ticket as baggage, it will cost me quite some if I ship it in advance. What we can save we must save — as it will come handy for little things we need for our home. I know how you feel about having the case go in advance but precious, you will see my way is the most practical. We, you + I together will have the things away in no time. Now, honey dear, it is only a matter of days now. Tell me how that you are happy and that you love me. Honey, love, — oh! only wish until I see you!

Your mother dear is feeling fine, + expect to see her home soon. Last night I saw Sadie Eng. + Rose while I was up to see Mom, but I did not stay long. In the rush I forgot to tell Mom I met Mr. Kelly + she was particularly happy to know Mom is improving so wonderfully. Oh, yes I have not bought the gift for her. Did you write to her lately? If you haven't, dear, do so.

My Mummy sure does feel terribly over my leaving - especially since it is so soon after Nell. I really do feel terribly about it. and am afraid I shall feel a dreadful lonesome for Mum for some time to come after I land South. Mum said, when I told her I'll be up next summer if I can only arrange it, that she would gladly pay half my fare, mine & Nell's so that we could come up often. I told her it wouldn't be necessary we'll come up often. I do hope, too, that we are able to make it next summer.

I had, in all the excitement of the rush at the dispensary; forgotten that you were to send my letter back, and I couldn't imagine what could be the trouble. Finally it dawned on me; & I called up Mum, and when she told me I knew all was well, I was so happy & relieved.

Am writing this early in the morning so that if I should become deeply engrossed in my seeing your letter won't suffer for it, as it so often does. My mother tries to run up to the Hospital to see how your mother is feeling. Mum told me she might, that she is going to get feathers to make a pillows for me & she will get some bed ticking & towels. She said "Some day when I am able to, I am going to spend about 200 to 300 on each of you, and give you each what I should like you to have." I told

her if she ever dared do a thing like that, I should certainly be very angry. I do not want Mama to spend much, as what I have I can manage with and when I can afford better I shall get it. I cautioned Mama not to spend too much.

We hope Mr. Dunbar is well enough to go in to-morrow. The place actually looks as though a cyclone had struck it. We were so busy I simply ran everything down out. I am afraid the new man will find it a little different from he expects no such that I can tell you. Made everyone headache and that is the kind of remarks. wanted to send Mama to Georgia (Mrs. Dunbar) but Mama sent. Mr. Slade promised to convey the message to him, however.

Well, Carl, I sure did write more than I expected but shall close now, with all my love hugs & kisses from

Your loving and impatient
Wife

Dear, — don't think because Miss Bellamy & Slade I am still there. — oh no, simply took charge to last me while home. Let me know, dear, if you want me to get you anything before I come down.

CITY'S ONLY WOMAN PHARMACIST RESIGNS

AT BELLEVUE TWO YEARS.

Mrs. Frances L. Freedman Leaves to Join Husband in Memphis—Put Up 375,000 Prescriptions.

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J. M. Friedman Atty
Hs Goodlar Building,
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April 30, 1919.
Wednesday: —

Darling Hubby dear,

Only one week from to-morrow look, — ! Are you happy, dear? After all the time did pass didn't it? This last week is worse than them all. dear, you simply have no idea how every thing creeps in at the last minute - and with it all I am so impatient to be off.

Mr. Swallow is not in again to-day. You can well understand what it means to me. On account of monday being a holiday, yesterday was something awful, and I suppose to-day will be the same. Nothing has been said to me about Mr. Swallow's absence making any difference in my vacation, and I am simply going to hand in the receipt & say nothing. The relief man is coming to-morrow for sure, so that carries me. In any case look, it will not hinder my coming home on the 10th. The only thing is everything coming — a knock discourages and provokes me so. Well, honey, it will all end just as soon as I reach you.

Mum is feeling much better. She slept well last night of her own accord. She was up for about 1½ hrs, yesterday afternoon. It is most a week since they gave her any medication for her heart, so dear, you can see how she has improved. She is nervous and they give her something to quiet that. Expect she will be out by Saturday.

I am sure have that everything will be alright about the house. What sort of furniture have you bought for the 3rd room? Hope you think a nice comfortable

sitting room will be more practical than a dining room? Of course a dining room is so nice to have, but it is for comfort that I was thinking of. You do as you think best, love.

You are right honey, in your suggestion to write all the news about the family to me, as Sally is determined to go when I do. Of course I do not pay any attention to him and have not told him, even, when I am going. Simply told him I haven't decided yet.

Honey, precious, I feel that my Sunday & Monday particular Monday's letter were very short. But, honey you realize what a terrible week I am always in, so dear overlook any short letters you might get from me now. I'll make up for everything when I see you and will tell you just how little time I have for myself. It is a continued rush rush rush all the time appearing. Expecting much letter now. "It" is gradually disappearing. To morrow I suppose "it" will be entirely alright. I am are you, love? We hope alright. How is your "tummy?"

Shall close precious, with all my love, hugs & kisses

Your everloving and watchful wife

Frances.

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J. M. Freedman, Atty,
45 Goodwin Building,
Memphis, Tenn.

May 2, 1918.
Friday: —

Dearest Hubby Love: —

Your Monday letter Love sure was wonderful, but, Love, your Tuesday letter sure did beat Monday's. Honey, dear, simply wait until we are together. Talk about being happy! I know, Love, that I certainly have been anything but happy since our separation — it seems ages since I saw you. Only one week from to-morrow, Love — I shall be with you. It is getting near now, isn't it, Love?

My mother went to the hospital to visit your mother yesterday. After visiting you yesterday the dentist called me up, and when I went to his office, he took the bridge out, and also extracted a root. Don't you write about that root — I want to forget it. Real letter soon. Am writing this early in the morning so that I know it is off, — and that you receive it on time. I will try to do that every morning first thing. Am up to-day again, this morning, but expect it will be early sailing now. Hope so, anyway.

Dear, I can hardly decide to go home. Daddy wants me to, feels we may be going over. When I came home & told her I had bought my ticket she realized that the time was coming to part — and soon too. She tells me that she did not sleep all last night. You see, Love, it was when 2 daughters were home, and as Mama says. So far away. I do suppose Love that I shall miss them all terribly, so you know I have more

been away from home before. And now it will be such a long distance. But dear, I shall be very happy with you. And I know you are going to be very good to me. Aren't you dear? I will try hard to keep from getting homesick for the folks, — but I do not know how I will make out. I do wish we could all be together — perhaps some day. I keep telling Mama that we will try to come West next summer, & I do hope we can manage it.

Of course you will introduce me to Miss Wentworth. When is she to be married? I suppose soon as you think they will be as happy as you & I? Yes; indeed we will always be what we are now — just as you say — besides being a loving & devoted husband & wife, we will always be good pals. Is there anything more wonderful, true, to be happily married and married only for love? I guess not, precious only one! Wait until these few days pass by. And then! —

———————— what? Happiness in the first of our days.

Dear, sorry about business being a little dull. You can't expect it. It will pick up — next week will probably make up for it. Am happy your "it" was pretty decent towards me. No more tears into and you to comfort me. It has passed over now. Let's not do a thing yesterday as I felt bum & sent after coming from the dentist and then, for the day was miserable, and Mama went away to your mother leaving the afternoon.

Dearest close dear, with all my love, kisses. and soon, dear, I shall be with you, my darling precious husband.

Devotedly
Frances.

F. Freedman

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To Soldiers' Home Bronx N. Y.





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Memphis, Tenn.

May 3, 1919.
Saturday

Darling Hubby, dear: ——

This is in answer to your wonderful letter of Wednesday. I am writing early again this morning. Dear heart! next Saturday! Think of it — just one small week — and — I shall be with you dear love, I sure do get happy when I think of it. You write to me love, making Tuesday your last letter which I will get Thursday noon. I will write to you until Wednesday, & on Thursday, I will send you a last love letter.

I accomplished quite a little yesterday. Served until 12 P.M. Went to the dentist in the morning & you see that took up a great deal of my time. Everything will turn out nicely & smoothly I think. Will pack Tuesday night, & call up the Penn. Station on Tuesday to call for the baggage on Wednesday. So you see love I shall have plenty of time in which to get it off on the same train. Odd! I sure do hate to think of saying the "Good Byes".

Called up Rose yesterday to find out how Mamie & it seems the night before she did not sleep again for the entire night. I do wish that sleep would come to her, it's otherwise she is alright — that is as far as her heart is concerned. The specialist, Dr. Arnold, says what my mother needs is rest & I have not seen much since Wednesday night & ordered a change of medicine starting with yesterday. I hope that will help her same. It is 8. So now, and as soon as 9 o'clock rolls around, I'll call Rose again to see

is room slept any that night (Friday). For that reason, they are not discharging Mom. They want her to have her natural sleep before sending her home. She is up every afternoon for the entire time and if only she could sleep, everything would be alright.

As to the 3rd. room, look, you do as you think best. You can get dining room furniture, and get an easy or comfortable arm chair, too. You see, dear, what you can do, and I am sure I will like it. {That lamp, look what Rose got us for a library, don't you remember? Sadie got another lamp}

An extremely happy boy, that you got us out that. by reason. It sure will be Sam's left, and as I often said, it is only a matter of time — its bound to come. We want need very much and you have those few dollars coming in steadily from Minister + Young pupil, which which to cover the rent. so you see, Look, Even if things go worse than we forgive, we can still manage alright. We will pull through alright, I do not worry. Look, what did you mean about that case which involved the client + in which you made 100 per cent? I don't remember anything at all about it.

Shall close now with all my love, kisses + Kisses which until Saturday, will have be sent to you by mail — but after Saturday — yes — yes! I honestly can't until the 12. So wait is delicious — I get so impatient to hear from you. Will not read this until I hear from Rose + so can let you know how mom is feeling.

Everlovingly
Your impatient wifie.

Called up Rose and she says Mom slept + ate little last night.

Enclosed clipping from the Tribune. Gosh! I was sore because they haven't + can married abandoned to commander of the marine corps and have you in such a wonderful successful lawyer!

F. Freedman To Room 54.

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J. M. Freedman, Atty,
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Memphis, Tenn.

May 4, 1911.
Sunday.

Dearest Hubby dear: ——

How I wish it was next Sunday! Dear, it will soon pass, don't you think? Lord! I do wish I was with you — you simply have no idea what I am hoping there. When I am down I will tell you all.

How, how are things at your end? Are things going smoothly? Hope so, and dear how are you? Take good care of yourself until I come down, dear?

Polly just this minute called up, and told me Mom can't have from the Hospital. As soon as I get thru writing to you, I am going up to the house to see her. Am sure glad that she was able to come home. Polly says she is weak, but of course that is to be expected.

Did you pass your second degree, honey? Sure do hope so, and hope soon, to have you a full fledge. I know dear you must be extremely happy to belong. When I am with you, you will tell me all about it.

Have been sewing all the day, and am extremely tired. Somehow I don't seem able to accomplish anything. Oh, but I will be happy when I am once with you! The weather is simply wonderful out, and everyone seems to be enjoying themselves. Well, next Sunday, I guess our day will

70 Somers St.
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come. I suppose you, too, must be as busy as a beaver working in our new home. Never mind, Lute, we, too, shall soon be happy

I shall close now, Lute, with all my love, kisses + hugs.

Ever lovingly
Frances.

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May 5, 1919.
Monday.—

Dearest Kate:—

Just rec'd your darling letter of Friday. As you know by now, I have my tickets bought for May 8 with lower berth reservations. Just a little more sewing & I am practically thru. Am going to pack to-morrow. This morning I am going to the dentist, come home & sew, this afternoon go down to the hospital for my laundry, meet Sadie in N.Y. and do some shopping, and from there I am going to run up to the Bronx to say Hello & Bye to my uncle's family. To-morrow I expect to mail, finish pack. Gosh! I sure have some stuff to pack. You would scarcely believe it.

Well, honey, as I told you in yesterday's letter Mom is home. She is of course very weak but hopes she will soon pick up. We are all trying to persuade Mom to go to the Country with Henry and I think that she will do it. When I came down last, we had talk it over.

Am very happy dear, that you are a second degree man & now I am sure you'll pass all 3. Am sure happy you like it. And as to the Phi Beta Club, that sure did make me happy as we can have an occasional dance to go to. Now, dear, you must take me out a lot, as believe me I am sure sick & tired of being mauled the time. I told Mom Yesterday, I think it is about time Now that you and I began to live our life. So what do you say?

Dear, do you know, that I have become so nervous, and worked up as Can be - Especially, now that the time is drawing so short. When I Come down Sat, will try to remember to tell you just how I spent the last month! Rush, run & work, never still a minute. But dear, once it is over, and I am with you, I'll make up for it.

Am going to the dentist now, so shall close - with all my love, hugs & kisses, and so soon, dear - so soon!

Ever adoringly
Frances.

Just think Sat, I will only write to you three times more and you will only write to me, after this day, one more letter. Things do come to pass after all, the Lord? I will send, to your office, the night I leave, a telegram

J. Freedman 70 Somers St.

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J. M. Freedman Atty
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Memphis, Tenn.

Tuesday, March, 1919.

Dear Harry Lee: —

So far, no letter to-day. Alright for you, lucky! Want mother & I come down. Even if you were busy, you could write me a few lines, anyway. I wish you could get leave now! Talk about wrecked! Am packing.

I will save all the news until I see you. Am enclosing another clipping from this afternoons Journal. Same class to your wife eh?. Believe me, I made sure that you were a lawyer not a marine.

With all my love, hugs & kisses, 2 more days & I start. Are you 'appy?

Everlovingly

Frances.

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JOSEPH M. FREEDMAN
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Sept. 5th, 1916.

Dear Miss Levine:-

Got here Sunday morning, 3½ hours late, after a horrible trip. Sure had some time, but am glad to be back here.

I came to an agreement with Cohn whereby I take all of his Civil cases & all criminal cases that come direct to me. I have some sort of a chance anyhow, & hope to make good (honestly, too).

Do you go over to the house yet? How did you find them? Well, got nothing more, so will close,

Yours Sincerely,

Jos Freedman



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MEMPHIS, TENN.

Sept. 30th, 1916

Dear Miss Levine:-

No doubt you are angry with me for the delay in answering your letter of the 14th, but I hope you will pardon my laches as this is really my first opportunity to write. Let me also thank you for remembering me with a new years card.

My trip coming here was horrible because, besides being late, I kinda of felt homesick. You know, a you ought to know, that I sure had some pleasant time while home, so that when I left & start thinking about it, well, I'll let you guess.

Yes, I sure did miss that Mardi Gras, as I did want to see it, but if you & Rose saw it, well, I reckon I'll have to be satisfied. Did you like it much? Reckon you got home sure enough late, that night. Sorry I wasn't there, as I'd have had the honor of escorting you home.

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My connection with Mr. Colm have sort of enlibened me a bit and I think I didn't make a mistake in throwing up the proposition the Dean offered me. Maybe, I'm mistaken, but I sure do hope that I'm not. Now if what you wrote, would have been verbally delivered to me, I would have bitten your nose off or done something else equally as desperate. Why in the world you feel awful to as member of the Bar, I can't understand. Can't an attorney be just as honest an trustworthy as a pharmacist? And if he does go to the House or Senate, I don't see why that makes him so conspicuous as a symbol of that class who exist on that which, in ordinary terms would be called, graft. Of course, I appreciate your confidence, but I really couldn't understand why you, such an intelligent a young woman, should be so prejudiced against me, as a class. Believe me, honey, we do more charity, and do more to alleviate many a heartache, than any other class or classes of men. Dog-gone it, ——— please explain, explain

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yourself.

Of course, I can't compell you to answer any sooner than you do, so I'll have to keep my mouth shut, but someday, — well, you'll see.

When you see my folks, please give them my love & remember me kindly to all.

Sincerely

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Oct. 14th, 1916.

Dear Miss. Levine:-

Yours of the 6th received & will tell you this first off. I was absolutely thunderstruck to hear or read your conception of an attorney.

I told my room-mate, who is a doctor & who has passed the medical board in 13 different states, and is not practicing medicine, but is studying law, about what you wrote & he told me to say this to you. "If ever there are robbers in this world, Jor, they are the ones," doctors & pharmacists, "alike". He says that the pharmacist is especially avowed, as he is always mixing up some patent medicine to fool the people. I know he is right, too, because I've seen it done, as I told you when I was home. Lawyers are not angels,

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2) that's true, but they are no worse than any class of men, you can take it from me. If I knew you would want to read a lot of my stuff as I want to read yours, I would write you what a lawyer's job is. Within the supposedly short hours, he accomplishes more for humanity than the pharmacist. It seems ridiculous for me to argue which is the better profession, morally, but I just couldn't come back at your remark, as I know you are above the average girl and more intelligent, so, if you so desire, I'll tell you in another letter, how an attorney makes a living and why he should be respected & honored. Of course, "every family has its black sheep;" but you'll find

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out yet that what I am writing, is the truth, + that your conception is decidedly wrong.

Let me thank you for the information about conditions at home. Here they were all surprised to think that N. Y. is in such straits, because we haven't those conditions here. I really don't know why my father ever stayed in N. Y., when this part of country is so beautiful. True, we haven't the facilities & improvements that you have, but, with what we have got, we don't miss the others.

I believe I've taken up too much of your time already, but before I close, I want to say that I wish you would send me your "volume" on Blackstone & also please note that your long letters

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4) are always very welcome so you know now, what sort of letter I want. Please give & pay my respects to the folks in the Bronx when you see them.

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Dear Miss Levine (or Frances).

Now, don't be angry and please listen to reason. You may feel so angry at me for not writing sooner, that, I suppose you feel like destroying this letter without reading it, but Rose wrote me that you forgave me & that's how I happen to have the courage to pen this epistle. I'd just love to be around when you're angry. I could see those big eyes bulging out and - and - well, were you ever very angry? I'm getting ridiculous, but it's only because I just simply don't know how to get on your good side, by writing; if I were there, near you, to make my apologies, well, it would be a different thing altogether. Then, I could do something, but as it is, I have to be content until I see you again. Have you forgotten me? I didn't forget you, I can assure you. I met a young lady down here, and I mean, I thought it was my little lady friend from Brooklyn, by name, familiarly known as Frances Levine. I told her about it and she wanted to know if I was intimately acquainted with you & I said yes, oh, yes. Was I? I really am not sure. If not, I'm going to. What's your opinion? You see, I'm not to forget my fundemental principle of law that there must be two to make a bargain. Anyhow, we will begin thusly, you call me by my first name, viz: Joe, & I'll call you Frances, with your permission. Are you willing. I reckon I'm pretty blunt, but's that's the way I feel about it.

Well we will drop that argument about are different professions, so I will tell you bit of myself.

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You remember I told you I'd expected to go to the legislature? Well, I was n't even nominated. I turned down flat, after being so encouraged. It taught me a lesson, anyhow, and that is that politics is a right smart funny game. But let me make someone feel sorry for that trick. Just let me get a little more experience in my profession. Just a little more time to get all timidity in talking in public out of my system, & I'll show them I'd get there through the medium of my ability and not personal ~~prejudice~~ prejudice. I find now that law is a wonderful field to work in and that after a few years, about 2 or three, I'll be able to take unto myself — what's wrong? I was going to repeat. Anyhow, I'm here & here to stick.

Now let's write about our country. Do you know that we are having summer weather now? It's quite stuffy, but luckily, we are having that warm rain, & that kind of relieves us. I wish you & my family were here, so you all can see what kind of territory this is.

I suppose I'd have to stop as you no doubt are busy and can't read this legibly, so I'll quit, hoping you will forgive me for not writing sooner, and that you will not purposely keep me waiting for an answer.

Sincerely

Joe.

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Dear Frances:-

Irene was glad to get that nice letter from you, and I can assure you, I was quite happy at the thought that you had forgiven my negligence, & you may rest assured that I shall never give you cause to be angry, if I can possibly help it, at least as to answering your letters. Your letter was enjoyed to the utmost in that it was nice & long. I don't know why it is, but before I write a letter, I have so much to write about, and when I begin writing, I just simply forget what I have to say, and that's probably the reason that my letters might seem short. Anyhow, I'll try my best to write a long letter, upon condition, that whenever you write to me, it should be in the same manner & length that the one I just received was in.

I was very glad to hear that Rae is going out with you, in particular, as I wish you would take care of her, especially when she is with you. Do you know, I don't believe that there is another fellow on the face of this globe that has as good a

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girlie for a sister, as I have. Sure, I'm just finding out who she is & what's her true worth, and to such an extent, that even my room-mate, is just wild to hear from her. Of course, it is understood that there are ~~many~~ many little girlies who would do the same under the conditions that darling Rose is in, but I still stick to my statement I just made. In my lonesomeness, I often wrote to her & I always received such counsel, that I would be put on my feet again. I often compare you both to some of the society women here in this town and I can tell you, I wouldn't trade one of you for any of them if they gave me a million dollars besides. Really don't know what's come over me. I simply can't stand them here. I hate to talk to them or walk with them & don't care if I never meet them again. I suppose you are astonished at my demeanor towards the "female of the species" of this town, but that's the way I feel about it. Of course, I don't know what will turn up later, but it will have to be something extremely good, to change my opinions.

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#3) Irene was glad that you had a pleasant time with Rose & your class-mates, & I can tell you that it would have been my honor to escort you both. Perhaps, some day I'll be able to.

As for myself, I'm still plugging on. I feel that I'm getting on much better than the average young lawyer, but the expenses I have, especially that which I spend to keep from being lonesome, practically eats it all up, I'm afraid, but I hope & trust that by the end of the year, I will have come out of a nice little practice. The territory around here is just fine for my profession & it is only a question of time & experience before I will be recognized. I intend to follow Rose's & your advice about being patient, but don't you think it is but natural for me to feel impatient? Especially when you see men who are making money, however little it be, ~~on~~ on the reputations of their fathers, & they knew little enough of law. You might laugh or hold a dainty little smile when I say it, but I don't intend to stay down. I've begun climbing the ladder, & intend to keep going until I

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am physically incapable, or become a lunatic. Thats the way I feel about it.

The weather here has been the worst we have had in a number of years. This month we have had snow & rain, & very little of the "Sunny South", so you see you have nothing on me, but things are brightening up & I expect we will have warm weather in the near future. I am still going around with a heavy overcoat, & so you can readily see, how things are.

Well, I'm sorry that you have had so much trouble about that civil service position, but I do hope that young lawyer has fixed things up & that you will be accepted.

I have tried to write a long letter, & I suppose I thereby complied with your wish, by writing this letter, so I'll close now, with my best wishes & with the hope that I will receive a nice long, long letter ~~in~~ real soon.

Sincerely

Jos.





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Sweetheart:

Got here 5 minutes ahead of time. Trip was pretty fair, but a little lonesome. Thinking of you all the way.

The above is the correct address, even if you don't write the "4th Floor," it will reach me.

Am tired a bit, so won't write much now, but will write to-morrow. Love

Jos.

How do you like your new job?

Regards to you Folks.

Jos

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Feb. 28th, 1917.

My Sweetheart:-

Well am located already. Have been very busy to-day fixing things up, so can't write much to-day, but have had you in mind all along.

Gee, but I'm lonesome for you. Got no Frances to call up these days, so you see how I feel.

What do you think of my new stationary? Haven't got the envelopes yet, so have to use the old ones.

How are you, darling? How do you like your new job?

I'm kept a little busy. I'll let you by Saturday's letter of the new office.

Regards to you & your folks.

Love

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March 1st, 1917.

Dear Sweetheart:

I'm keeping my promise, am I not? in writing to you everyday. You told me to promise you that I would and am so complying with your request

Tell me, how are you? How do you like your job?

I've got a bunch to write, but am saving it for Saturday's letter.

Do you miss me? I sure do miss you. Dream of my little sweetheart every night & am still keeping my eyes on the furniture stores.

Well, I'll close now, with love to my own little Frances

Lovingly,

Joe

Shall I write anything on the back of my picture? If so, what? & I'll do it & send it to you.

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March 3rd, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

To-day is Saturday, & so will keep my promise & write a long letter telling you all that has passed, so far, down here with me.

When I got back, I found we had moved to the 4th Floor of this building, & Abe Cohn with a seperate office, & Goldberger with a large office. As soon as he saw me, Cohn began telling me that Goldberger & I are to share the large office. I said I quite satisfied, and asked him about the rent, and what do you think he said? "You first get on your feet, Joe, and after a while if you think you pay something, I'll be glad to have you do so, in the mean while, I'll pay the rent & telephone bill & all other incidentals. You build up a practice so you can make a living, and I'll be satisfied." Don't you think that's fine of him? He is giving Goldberger & myself his old big roll top desk, so that we can trade it in for 2 new flat top desks. What do you know about that?

Now, I used to make a little money from a collection agency I made up

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before I passed the bar, and now I have taken in Goldberger, the fellow that was in with me on the patent, and we are going to work it on a larger scale, so, honey, if we can get a good foothold & make a little money in the beginning, we'll be married next May, when I come home for mother's silver wedding. That is, if God spares us. I told Colm about this idea, & he said, he will bet a 100 to 1 that we will make, about 1500 the first year. Hon, I'm satisfied to have 1500.00 or even 200 saved up by May, so we can get married, but any how, sweet heart, I'll try my hardest, to have as much as Colm says I ought to have. You mustn't forget this, that it entails some expense to do business.

I am trying to get into communication with a client of mine who works on the "Commercial Appeal" the biggest newspaper here, and want to talk to him about placing ~~him~~ Jo on the staff. Do you think he is in earnest about wanting to come here if he can get a job such as he desires? Don't forget to ask him & let me know. This client's case is soon coming up & I'll

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have a very good opportunity to speak to him.

I am also closely watching the furniture stores, & let me tell you, I've seen some beautiful stuff, but no Circassian Walnuts. They are mostly in dark, Mahogany & that Ivory. I'll talk to a big man down the street & see if he has any that you like & I'll send you the catalogue.

Now dear, how are you getting on? How do you like your new position? Honey, I'm lonesome, so lonesome, you can't imagine. Oh, how I want you with me. I always dream of you, think of you & talk of you, & only hope that little association I have formed will bring me in some money so that I can get you down here.

I'll close now, sweetheart, hoping to get a nice, sweet, long letter, very soon,

Yours with all my love,

Joe.

Regards to your mother, Fathen & the rest. Did my folks call at your home yet? Get them to go.

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March 5th, 1917.

Honey:-

Received your welcome letter of the 1st and believe me I was fine glad to get it. I was never so anxious for anything as I was for some mail from you. Of course, this excepts the time when I asked you for you.

Glad to hear that you are beginning to like your new job & as for Rose Joondeph, well I don't know what to say. She ought to know better than to go & hold herself out as competent.

I was appointed to-day to defend 2 niggers, man & woman, both for stealing, and as they are charity cases, I don't expect to get anything but the woman insinuated that she was going to pay for my services, so expect to get a little from her. If I do, it goes in the bank towards my future wife's account.

Haven't much more now, but hope I'll get mail a little more often than once in 5 days. See if you can't do as you promised. One a day & a big one every week.

Take care of yourself & remember,

I am

yours with love

Joe.

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March 6th, 1917.

Sweetheart:-

Your welcome and pleasant letter of the 3rd just received & believe me, honey, 'tis sure I gained 5 pounds. Talking about being blue, I didn't know what came over me. I was so lonesome for you, so blue because you weren't with me, that I couldn't concentrate my mind upon my work, but when I got your darling sweet letter, I could feel a load falling off my heart & a good deal of "pep" creeping in, that everyone here noticed the change. I had to stop writing for a minute because one of the "Butt-nuts" in the office looked over my shoulder and tried to read this. He is even now telling the rest "He is writing to his sweetheart!" Ah course, 'tis not afraid. I told Colin about you & showed him your picture. "A very, very nice girl, Joe. Lots of luck & congratulations," that's what he said, so you see, they all know about you. Yes, dear, I showed your both pictures (one I put in my watch) to my room-mate & he said "Dog-gone you for a fool, she's much prettier than Miss. Peare!" & I said "Betcha life".

As for my cold, I lost it the same day I stepped off the train here in Memphis. It sure did strike me plenty. I didn't cough even once I left N. Y., so you can imagine what sort of climate we have here. I tell you, Frances dear, you'll love this city, 'tis sure, and be-

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here me, you will be here the next time I leave N.Y. The climate is so nice & warm now, (except for a little cold snap which doesn't last long) that you would never want to be anywhere else during the winter.

I suppose you know by this time how I found the office upon my return. Honey, you can't depend on friends. If you have any money then they are worth while. I just found out to-day what a negligent specimen of manhood, this fellow Goldberger is. A negro client came to see me & he failed to tell him that I was in New York so he thought I didn't do anything in the case which involves the custody of a child & this negro was going to get another lawyer when he thought he would come here once more to see if I was here. Anyhow, I fixed things up & its O.K., but it just goes to show you, you can't depend upon anyone who is to do anything for you out of pure friendship. And that was only one instance of his stupidity. Another client, a white man, wrote me a few letters & the fool Goldberger, instead of sending them to me right away, let them hang around & naturally lost them. Now I've got to wait until he writes again, because I haven't his address. What do you think of him eh? Otherwise, the office is practically like

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game except for the new location. The reason I got the stationary so quick was because I got Goldberger's brother, a painter to do the job & hammered at him to rush it.

Your good night kisses must be delivered because as I kiss your picture every night before I jump into bed, I always think or feel a response. Oh sweetheart, sweetheart how I wish we were together already. I'm am glad that you love me so much that you haven't found anyone even to be that much as me as me (I'm not flattering myself) as you mention I sure do know, for a positive fact that you love me more than that, isn't that so? Of course, I love you millions of times more than that number, don't I?

Honey, I'm glad you are beginning to like your new place, but, dear, take care of yourself. The more lawyers' hours you keep while there, the better it'll be for it, & don't rush off early in the morning merely to get their breakfast, but take a good rest while you're home. You can also tell him, the man that helps you, I thank him for all courtesies he extends or may extend to you.

Honey, I'll have to quit now, before I again get to feel my lonesomeness, so will

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close now, with all my love, and all the kisses, I'm able to give, from,

Lovingly,

Joy.

p.s. I saw a beautiful set for the bed room, but it was in oak. Another one I saw, was in that ivory, but with ornaments or something engraved on it. I'm still looking for a Circassian Walnut. A firm here says that I can buy now, & they will store it for me until I need it, but may be I'll get something better later on.

Bye-bye, again, darling,

Joy.

Don't forget that nice long-long-long letter. Even the one I just received didn't satisfy me entirely (Thing that will be pretty hard to do. I want you, you, you.

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Dearest Frances:-

Just received your postal and it sure was welcome; so far since Monday, I received a letter every day. That's the way I wanted it to be done.

So it was snowing eh? Well, we had snow one day, & the next day, we didn't have a sign of it. It's beautiful out, to-day, only _____ well, the same thing, I want you.

I'm trying my best to build up my practice so that we can be to-gether in May. Honey, I'm afraid if I don't, (that is, to my satisfaction) we'll get married anyhow.

Well, let me know how everything's getting along, & how my little sweetheart is passing her time.

With all my love to my honey,

Lovingly,

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Sweetheart:-

Been mighty blue to-day, why, I don't know. The earlier part of the morning I felt much better, because I was busy. I went down to the jail to see my 3 niggers & I believe I'll get money out of them. I don't know how much, but a little anyway.

How have you been? Busy? Do you like your new place? Hope so, but don't overwork yourself & make your feet suffer.

Things here have been monotonous. Somehow, I'm blamed if I know what to do, but the only thing that consoles me is that soon — soon — we'll be together.

Don't forget to write a nice long letter.

With all my love

J.

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My sweetheart Frances:-

Received your letters of the 6th, 7th & 8th & was indeed surprised to hear that you haven't heard from me for 2 days. Dear, I'd been writing everyday, but didn't on Sunday, so that explains the absence of a letter on Tuesday, but hereafter, I'll write on that day, too, & if I mail it in time you will get it on Tuesday, but I can't understand about the other day. Yes, I received all your letters, but on one day, Thursday, I didn't get any, so on Friday I got one, & on Saturday 2, so I reckon it was merely a delay in the mail.

You silly goosie! To say I don't love you, why, I'm so lonesome for you, I don't know what to do. If you want to show me you love me & to help me, write every day, & I'm sure I won't be lonesome. That's one thing that consoles me, & that is I love you & you love me.

Yes sweetheart, I'll try my best to make some money, even if it isn't $1500 or $500. I spoke to a fellow about me getting married & he said that in the beginning, we ought to live in a furnished

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flat, but I said nothing doing. We are going to have a home. Just you & I, aren't we, dear? And you can fix up a spare room, if we have one, with that picture or whatever you call it. That's what I told him, & he said "Well, wish you luck & congratulate you". Poor fool, he isn't as lucky as I am in having such a sweetheart that I've got.

Well, dear, you remember I wrote you that I was appointed to 2 criminal cases? Well, I got $25.00 from one, & $20 from the other during our week. Isn't that pretty good for one week? The worst part of it is, you aren't here, & so can't spend it on you, but I have to make the best of it & be alone. Of course, I'll take a little recreation, but I can't enjoy myself as if I were with you. I'm often tempted to ask you to come here now, & get a job here, but I say to myself, "Well, next year, I'll fix things up.

Darling, I wanted to write much more, but must quit because a nigger wants to see me, so I'll close with all my love to my sweet, little girlie,

Lovingly,

Will write to-morrow, too. Jos.

(over)

How did you enjoy the Purim supper. Gosh, I was lonesome. Tell me all about it. Again, love, sweetheart,

Jay

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My sweetheart Frances;-

To-day is Sunday, and as per my promise, I'm waiting for you to receive a letter on Tuesday. Let me know if you did receive this on that day.

Honey, I wish you were here to enjoy the weather to-day. It's just wonderful out to-day and you can take it from me, people are enjoying themselves.

You never did tell me if you spoke to Ed about coming here. I've spoken to quite a few people about him, casually, & some have given me assurance of his success here while others have not. I suppose it will take some time before I will be certain that if he comes here, he can make a living.

I believe I'll have a little trouble with that fellow Goldberger. He was supposed to send me $15 (I spoke to you about it) & he said he did send it. Mamma dear hasn't received it yet, & I heard from reliable sources, that on one occasion he swindled a man, an intimate friend of his, out of $30, just the same way, so I

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have to wait for developements:

Well, let me know how you'd getting on, & don't forget to keep writing every day, & I'll do the same, & now I'll close with all my love to my sweetheart Frances,

Lovingly

Joe.

Regards to your folks. Sorry hell was unable to go go out to the house. How did you enjoy yourself? Let me know how my dad is getting on. How does he look?

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My darling little Francis:-

Thanks very, very much for that wonderful big letter of the 9th and, believe me it put me in a class all by myself, i.e., I felt that way about it. I was so glad to get it, I didn't know what to do. God, if you'd been here at that time I think I would have eaten you up, and oh! how I miss those kisses, sweetheart. I want them, I want them & only pray to the Infinite to help me so that I may be with you in the dear, near future. You say you are discouraged because you can't cook as good as my mother. Honey, dear, I don't, & didn't expect you to, at any rate for some time, but I'm sure, if God blesses us with long life and like the life my parents have led, I'm sure you will be capable of caring for a home as my mother, when you get to be her age. That seems to worry you, but what makes me feel discouraged is the fact that only a few paltry hundred dollars keeps us separated. Ah, sweetheart, if I only had it now, I would be back in N. Y. & wouldn't leave, with God's will, without you. I believe it was because we love each other so that my cold passed so quick & you can believe me, if I'm in any pain or distress, I'll let you know because when I do so, I'm sure it will

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go by, but you must do the same thing and let me know everything. How you are feeling & what you are doing, so that my mind may rest easy. If course, I'll follow all instructions because, well ——— I suppose I must do my part of the "obey" part, & might as well begin now. Isn't that so?

Dear was glad to hear that you had such a nice time at the house Friday eve. I was so lonesome & felt so blue, that I purposely sat down to dream of home, of you, of how I would meet you at the station & be greeted with a sweet little kiss. Oh, darling, I can do nothing but think of you & dream of you being in my arms, sitting on my lap and tell me how you love me. Had you been sitting on my lap & your arms about me & kissing me that Friday night, dear me I would have ~~gained~~ gained at least 10 lbs., but I suppose, fate has decided thus since we didn't go to New Jersey; so I'll have to content myself.

My grandfather sure is a sport & I myself would get drunk with him, if you will permit me to, on our wedding day. That day when I'll be able to say "mine" so far as mortality is concerned and as sure as there is an Infinite Power that guids our steps and protects us, I'll take care of

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you and make you feel so that you will have no cause to regret your step. This is no idle talk & no vain or silly remark, but is spoken, or written rather, direct from the heart, and I will follow my dear old dad to the letter, if I but can.

Dear, I was glad that you stayed over night at the house, but sweetheart, why is it that your mother feels angry when you come over? Is she sore with me? Doesn't she like me any more? You told me she did, a little. I've got to get on her good side & show her that I'm going to love & take care of my (her's too) Frances.

While writing, that lunch or purem boy came & believe, talk about fun. My roommate had 1/2 interest in it as I've said, and after eating his share, he comes back for more, so I calmly told him he can't get any more, then he yells "Half is mine, ain't it". What do you know about that, eh?

Well, to go back a little, I wish I'd seen you all dressed up. I'm dog-gone sorry I wasn't there. Imagine my Frances in men's attire Oh, Lord, what fun I would have.

Now, dear, about Goldberger. I'm keeping a watch on him & don't intend to ever let him attend to my business. And what do you think? The other fellow that said he was

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going to leave me, didn't, & said he couldn't go anywhere else to save his life. That did me a lot of good, as that shows me I'm on the right track! Another man came to see me, and my room-mate & loving friend Gold began ~~to~~ being present he said of me "That boy is alright. He's going to make good." Isn't that fine! A few more like that & I'm A. C. in the practice of law.

I think that it would be better for us to buy the furniture ~~here~~ when you get here, because there's such nice suits here that I don't know which one to take, so I will leave it to you. Keep on your embroidery & make a few little things that are nice. I saw a girl walking with a fellow & she was merely dressed in a dress something like your gray one, so I followed them about 4 blocks to get a good look at her face. Oh! well, I'm happier than he is. I've got you & he hasn't, so my foolish mind is at rest.

I'll close now, beloved, waiting anxiously for mail from, and with all my love and all my yearning for you, to you, my own little sweetheart,

Lovingly
Joe.

Am sending my picture under separate cover.

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March 13th, 1917.

My dear Frances darling:-

Did you get my letter On this date? I tried to see that you would get it on a Tuesday, so let me know if you did receive it.

Well honey, things are about the same. Things have been quite dull and have been very, very blue! This fellow Goldberger makes me sick & tired, but have got to keep quiet, for a while, anyhow. He goes home & tells everybody I must have a black past, just because I came here. Can you beat that? He has a sister thats just as bad, & if you are not on intimate terms with her, she sure does let her tongue loose.

Well dear, how have you been? How are you getting along with your new position? Let me know everything.

I'll close now, as I've got to go to the Courthouse,

With all my love,

Joe.

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Sweetheart:

I've been without a haircut for a dog-gone whole days. I can, I've got to tell you what happened to me today. I tried a case & was given one of the most beautiful lickings that man ever got. I was licked so bad, that I was ashamed of myself, but everybody is telling me "it's not the only one you'll lose if in practice"! Funny thing! One of my own witnesses cross-examined me while on the stand & that defeated me. Well, I'll have to take it as it comes, I suppose. All during the trial, though, you were in my mind & was wondering what you were doing while I was getting sock that which I did not expect. Were you busy between 11:15 & 12? That was the time I was in Court.

How, tooty, how are you? How do you like your job? Do you still hear from Mrs. Maas. Let me know your troots. Tell me how much you love me. I'm blue. I want you, honey, I want you.

All my love,

Joy.

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March 15th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Both your welcome letters of the 12th & 13th received to-day, one in the morning & one in the afternoon, & certainly was glad to get them, though I was so sorry you were miserable. I'm sorry you didn't send me the letter you destroyed as I want to know everything that is going on. I want to assure you that I love you, again & again.

Dear, I'm trying very hard to build up my practice. I'm doing solely because of my desire to be with you, that we can get married & be together always. You can believe me, sweetheart, its a hard pull, but I'm going to stick. I only want you to believe in me & have your confidence. I felt so blue on account of losing that case yesterday, that I didn't know what came over me. I'm sorry I didn't tell you about my cases, but Goldberger did me such a trick that my cases have been neglected & now I've got to buckle down & take care of them. It will take some time, though. I've sent my picture by parcel post, & I expect you will get it in the near future. As for organiza-

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smoking, I had to give it up as I made a bet with a friend of mine that the first one who smokes a cigarette, must pay the other a dollar, & as they are hard things to get, and for my love for you, I decided to smoke a pipe. Maybe, I'll quit smoking altogether, I don't know.

Now, toots, I'll have to close, as I got another case & have to see the people at 6 o'clock, so will close with love & kisses to you, my sweetheart,

Lovingly,

Joe

Don't forget, I love you & always will.

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My darling Frances:

Received your welcome letters of the 13th & 14th at the same time and believe me, Honey was glad to hear from you. I didn't get a letter from you yesterday, so I was blue, but as I got both your letters, I presume the mail was delayed.

Yes, dearest the weather is just fine. Nice & warm & plenty of sunshine. Kind of enjoying it because the climate makes one enjoy life, but, Oh! honey, if you were only here, then sure we both would enjoy it. And, inasmuch as you are not here to enjoy it with me, I'll follow your advice & take advantage of such beautiful weather.

Honey was glad to hear that my father enjoyed himself "pureu" ever. You see, the reason he made that statement is that he wants me to practice in New York, & I just can't hid there any more, let alone practicing law there. Then sure in time to come, I can work up a nice practice & have a little money, but not a million, for some time anyway.

Honey, I got another case to-day out of which I ought to make $50 or $75 & which, then pretty sure, will give me another case. Then, yesterday I got another case for $10.00, but the dog-gone

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trouble is, I have to wait for the money. I lost that case of $10.00 & my client told me to appeal & he is going to pay me whatever I want. He says if he loses, he knows its not my fault. It good to have people who have confidence in you.

Well, toots, I'm feeling pretty fair owing to the cases coming in. I reckon, I'd love that if I only had you here, I would be satisfied. I often get so lonesome, that I don't know what comes over me. I often wonder if I am ill, & I believe I am, as I "suffer a good deal from the heart".

I haven't much more, but this to ask you. Did you ever answer that last long letter of mine. Please do, & send me a nice, big, fat, long, long letter, as I wait anxiously & impatiently for all your letters. Darling, if you only knew how I long for you, but I'll have to be content & wait for next summer, when I'll come & get you & keep you with me.

I'll close now, with all my love to my darling Frances, from

Lovingly
Your sweet heart
Joe

Regards to your folks.

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Darling Frances:-

This morning I received both your charming letters of the 16th. I was so glad to hear from you. Somehow, I feel blue. If I don't get busy & stop to dream, I get awful, so in order not to get that way, I'm plugging away at my books.

I was very glad indeed to hear that you enjoyed yourself the other night. Yesterday, being Sunday, I went to the Lyric Theatre & took in a show. I went all by myself & as I sat there, gazing around & saw a few couples that reminded me of the times we went to the show, & as soon as I felt that funny feeling of the blues creeping over me, I read the program until the show started. I am going to follow your advice & whenever I get blue I'll consider myself being kissed by you, & then I'll feel better.

You say you read my letters over & over, but, honey, I do so too & many a time I've laughed at, as they always see me when I'm reading it but I tell them, "Some day you will see why"; & believe me, they won't blame.

I don't intend to let Goldberg get away with that $15.00. I'll show him & his bunch who I am. Somehow, I actually

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hate them all. They make me tired. His sister is worse than a senseless fool. Goldberger's brother made the same remark about Love, my ~~dearest~~ room-mate as they made about me. Can you beat that? He doesn't mind them, & won't as soon as I get my money from him (Goldberger). He phones me that he is afraid I might do a little more business than him by the way he hangs around Colm. Asks him what he can do for him, & such things while I say to myself & to all the world, "If you want me, you know where I am." It not be like Goldberger, I'll be plain Jos Freedman, & whatever Jos Freedman makes, it will be from his own efforts.

This week promises to be a good one for me, but of course, 'tis not sure. I hope it will be. Last week, ~~to~~ it was fair, & if I have a couple of good weeks, I'll be alright.

Have you received my picture yet? And don't forget, that big long letter. I suppose I'll get the promised one to-morrow.

I'll close now, sweetheart mine with all my love from the deepest depth of my heart,

Lovingly

Jos.

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REVERIE OF A RETURNED GUARDSMAN

BY JAMES GRAHAM.

Tho' many land I've traveled o'er,
Of prairie and of wooded hills,
By inland ways and ocean's roar,
By placid streams and rippling rills;
Of all the homes beneath the sun,
By conquest or by toiling won,
None fairer or more dear to me—
My own, my native Tennessee.

Tho' other climes may hold as fair
A promise to the alien one
Of other skies beyond compare;
Tho' other streams as brightly run,
And Fortune turn her lavish cup,
Until the grasping hands fill up,
The truant heart still turns to thee—
My own, my dear, old Tennessee.

O, land of crag and cedar brake,
And low, sweet valleys, lush with corn;
O, land of rivulet and lake,
Where Plenty tips her fruitful horn—
I once again would seek the nest,
In sight of old Chilhowie's crest,
The cot where loved ones wait for me—
My mountain home, my Tennessee.

My lowly home is lacking wealth,
But Love keeps vigil, fond and true,
And, oh, the guerdon there is health,
Where swim the mountain peaks in blue,
And men are loyal, women sweet,
Where life runs with reluctant feet,
Unwilling that dear haunt to flee—
My Fatherland, my Tennessee.

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My dear darling Frances:-

Your big, fat, long letter of the 19th received this morning and I sure thank you, over & over again, for so sweet a letter. I sure did enjoy it & read & reread it time and again. It made me so happy, just so much encouragement into me that if a case of mine was to be tried to-day, I'm sure I would have won it.

Darling mine, if the cases I've lost made me blue, then I have forgotten about it because of your instructions. Yes, dear, I must remember I'm only a beginner, & I must get used to defeat & success, but the thought that I had lost it made me think that perhaps it might keep us apart for a longer time, but after reading your darling letter, I began to reason & found that the first step to success is to meet defeat & disaster just as I would meet victory, & I'm sure that only 1 experience which as yet I haven't got, defeated me in the cases I lost, but I can tell you this, that I'm going to try my hardest to make myself great among men and I'm sure I ought to because of the loving encouragement of my darling Frances & parents, though my sweetheart ~~through~~ threw a scare into me when I read the first part of a certain paragraph in her big letter. I couldn't, to tell you the truth, understand your attitude, but as I went further, I started to smile. I don't think I'll ever be able to figure out the number which represents how much you love me, but I love you even

more than that, so now you please figure it up, if you have any spare time. I just couldn't feel like after that assertion of how much you love me.

I am glad you like your position so much and you can tell Mr. Swallow (is that his name?) that if you are writing volumes, there's someone down here, very far in miles from you, but near at heart, that's awfully glad when he gets them and if he does put in a post office, it will facilitate matters, too. I was also glad to hear that you weren't bothered by any more telephone calls from Mrs. Mass as I want you to stick there where you are and not get into any arguments. So a friend of yours got that position at Mrs. Mass! Anything like the "thornless American Beauty"? Hope not, for her sake.

The affair you had with that nigger amused me. Aren't they the clumsiest & idiotic bunch in existence? I have found them that way, and the fool tricks they pull off around here would make anybody laugh. They are naturally "nuts". Everything they do a day is so idiotic so dog-gone foolish that they are bound to get into trouble. 90 per cent of nigger prisoners are in the toils simply because of their tom-fooling. Ridiculous! Well, when they've got a hundred dollars in their pockets, they'll come over and ask for a raise & if you don't respond immediately, they'll beg you for it. They certainly are the limit.

As for that little interview with the school teacher, it sure wasn't any of her

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brownies. She can think as she chooses, but sweetheart, it just goes to show you that I must give you a ring and as soon as I can afford it, I'll send you one from here. So you are keeping at your embroidery, eh? That's good. Make some pretty little things so that when we get here, we will have a pretty little home. The mere thought of it makes me happy.

As for Ig, I think it would be best to let him alone. If he expects an increase, why does he want change? He is bound to be salaried always, so he may as well stick where he is & enjoy life — and his honey. So Barney wants to practice in New York. Well honey, I'll never leave this section & if I do, it will be for something like a few thousand a year for an income. This is God's country & seeing she endorsed, thought you would like to read it. Tell me what you think of it.

I was very pleased with your statements about not feeling any patriotism to the green. Its the red, white & blue & for the best president we ever had, barring none, for me, too.

Darling, Thursday is our birthday. Let me extend my felicitations & wishes to you, my wife-to-be & hope & trust that shortly after the next one, we will be married

How did you enjoy your Sunday off? Have a good time? Hope so.

Before I forget, don't ever say that your letters contain trash, for they do not, and also I have'nt had time to look for something to send you as a present, but if I can find something to send you & within my means, I'll do so. Did you get my picture yet?

Now, darling, I'm going to close. I have have a nasty ~~headache~~ headache, as I didn't sleep last night. Worrying about home caused me to pass a very restless night.

With all my love and again wishing you the best of birthday greetings

Lovingly,

Jo.

A nice fat letter, please.

I had to use both sides of the sheet because I didn't have along enough paper. I'm writing on the table of in the 1st Commick Coast. I didn't want to wait until I got back to the office as I didn't want to miss the mail.

Lovingly,

Jo.

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My darling Frances:-

Yours of the 19th received and sure was glad to get it. Don't worry about the war situation, for if I must go, I'll go. No way in existence to get around it. Of course, I don't care to enlist because of my personal affairs, but if conscription comes in or any measure similar to it, why, they'll come & get me. Until that time comes, sweetheart, don't think of it.

As you asked me where I was Sunday, I'll tell you. Got up 10 A.M. ate my breakfast, went to the office, ate dinner; went to the movies until 3:30 P.M. when I went to the Orpheum. You may be sure that I didn't enjoy myself as if you were with me.

Now, toots, as to how much I love you, why I love you the highest number multiplied by itself and will always love until the day after never. Now, toots, figure it up.

Business has been fair, and I'm glad to put my uncle in funds - repay in the near future and when I do, I think I'll make as a fee com-

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thing like $100.00. Uh, toots, if I only could get a couple of those $100 fellows. It sure would come in handy, wouldn't it?

Well dear, I'll close now, with all my love to my own, sweet little Frances,

Lovingly

Regards to your folks.

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My darling Frances:-

I really don't know how to express myself in thanking you for that little gift you sent me & which I received yesterday. All I can say is "thank you sweetheart", but you may rest assured, I will never forget it. Those slippers are great. Nice & soft, and when I walk in them, it is as if I were walking on glad skin. That laundry bag is splendid, but, toots, why did you go to that expense. It surely must have cost you quite some money, & you know I don't want you to spend so much for me, but use it for yourself. I am quite worried in that I didn't receive a letter from you this morning. I am writing this at 11 o'clock in the morning & will mail it this afternoon. I thought it best to write now, because I'm going to try a cane & I won't be able to write this afternoon, so "safety first."

Darling, to-day is our birthday. Ah, how I long, how I ~~yearn~~ yearn for you. I can't give vent to my feelings on paper, but oh, if we only were together. If I could only send you a nice gift. I tried to get a card to

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find you, but I could get nothing appropriate so I'll wait & get together a few dollars and ~~buy~~ buy you something for your birthday. I only hope that when I get back from the Court House, I'll find a letter waiting for me from you. Sweetheart, if I only had you here, oh, oh, oh! Well, I suppose we'll have to wait.

The school is giving a banquet to-morrow night & as I am one of the alumnis, I must attend. Each plate costs $3.00. Toots, if you were here, we both would go, & make believe we wouldn't enjoy ourselves!

I note you that I will probably make a hundred or so by putting my uncle in bankruptcy. If I make just $100.00, I'll save it & be home next year, but if I make more, I'll probably come home this summer. Would you like to see me, sweetheart? Would you like to have a chance to sit on my lap again & whisper loving remarks like we did? Uh, darling, how I wish I could make but $300 out of that case; if I do, I'll put $100 away & with

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the balance, I'd come home.

Let me, ~~Baron~~, dearest, how you spent your birthday. How you are getting on, for I long for you, I long for your mail & our always lift my heart to the Almighty so that He may see my honest purpose & assist me.

I'll close now, darling, and go to the Court house & see if I can do something for the benefit of my client and myself.

With all my love to you,

Your loving

Joy.

Did you get my picture, yet?

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My darling toots:-

As you like that name, hereafter, I shall call you by that for you are my toots.

So begin with, sweetheart, I received your letter of the 20th + 22nd and let me tell you, when I looked at that little book "A thought of you," I was ashamed of myself, & didn't believe I would have the nerve enough to write to you, but the thought that it was you + my all, I had to write. Toots, I think I am a cur. Here you send me a nice little parcel + then a birthday card, + I only sent you my wishes in a letter, but, darling, it came did ~~for~~ come from the heart. As soon as I can afford it, I'll make up for my failure to send you a little gift, but that failure was due not as a matter of fact, or that I don't love, but ~~bef~~ because if I wanted to send you a gift, I want it to somethin worth while. I would have sent you a card, too, but I couldn't find any appropriate, so didn't do it. Anyway, precious, you love me more than ever, don't you? I received the portal from your sister & mother & yours which were mailed on the 20th, on the 22nd, so you see they came just

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in time and believe me, my own little tools, I was happy for the rest of the day. I was in Court that day until 4 P.M. & when I came back I found your letter + book & the cards. That' pelm was just fine.

Ah, Frances how I wanted to be with you, even if it was only for that day. I was wondering what you were doing & how you spent your time. Make believe we wouldn't have a fine time. And that night, the 22nd, I was called to the bedside of an injured man. He told me I was recommended to him by another & that party is a friend of mine. The funniest thing about it is that this friend that recommended me is a partner of Goldberger's brother in the printing business. I was surprised in that Goldberger was recommended, but my friend told me that "you have my confidence & I'm going to do all I can to help you." Don't you think that was fine? I think I will land the case & if I do, I'll consider it as a birthday gift. If he settles the case with the defendants, I'll lose out. That's the only fear I have. This morning I was told to appear in the Criminal

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Monday morning & take his hand in the defense of a woman accused of "larceny from the person." In plain words, "Stealing." Then my uncles' case is getting in proper form & out of that I expect some money & probably will ~~expect to~~ —— you. That is, I'll be with you, if I land the coin.

I had to smile, dearest, about your advice, in reference to my going to the theatre with someone. Honey, I like to go by myself if you are not with me for I want to think of you wherever I am, and when I'm in the theatre without any of my friends, I sure believe you're sitting next to me & the music feels the heart tongo that I can't sing or whisper into your ear.

This letter may be rambling at places, probably incoherent, but I am writing with a handicap. My thoughts are running at large. ~~They're~~ ~~at~~ with you, & my pen can't go as fast as my thoughts, so you can see the disadvantage.

Well, I'm glad you got my

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picture & that you are pleased with it. Only I wish it were me that landed in N. Y. on that day instead of my equivalent, but believe me, toots, "we'se goin' to have some time when I will be with you, eh?"

Darling, I'll have to quit, but before I do, I want to tell you I didn't go to the banquet because my maid called me up & said I should come to the store that night, which I did. I got there at 6:10 & quit at 11:45 P.M. Some work, toots, some work.

Well, I'll close now with all my love & kisses to my precious darling toots,

Lovingly

Joy

Tell your sisters & your mother I thank them very much for their birthday greeting.

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Toots, Sweetheart:-

Yours of the 23rd received & was very sorry to hear that you are well nigh sick. Why don't you take care of yourself, toots? You always advise me what & what not to do, and you go ahead & disregard everything & get sick.

I suppose you are suffering from a heavy cold. Please do something for it, you hear? If you don't, I'll bite your nose off. I am also suffering from a cold in my head, but I suppose it's only one of my season's colds. I get one for every season. Don't forget & take care of yourself, sweetheart.

I received a letter from mammy & she told me about the nice present Rae & you sent her. Much obliged for doing it, honey.

I'll close now, my own sweet little toots,

Your loving

Jos

Am expecting that nice long letter.

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March 27th, 1917.

My sweetheart Frances:-

I've been worried ever since I received your letter stating that you did not feel well. How are you feeling now, totts? Much better, I hope. Last night I dreamt that I was with you & I had to force you stay home a day so you can regain your health. Please, honey, take care of yourself. I had a swell dream, didn't I?

I'll never forget yesterday. Besides suffering from a severe cold, my eyes started in. Pained! Oh, I thought I would never get over it. My left eye thought it would like to be outside of my head instead of in its socket. Some did have some time. Had I used my brains, I wouldn't have suffered that way, for I ought to have put on my glasses as soon as they started in to pain, instead of waiting till last night. To-day, I feel much better but for precautions sake, I'm wearing my glasses.

The weather has been quite warm, but raining up till to-day, & to-day it is quite cold. What do you know about that? Of course, the sun is out & its not $\frac{1}{3}$ as cold as up East.

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Business has kind of improved. I've been employed in a few criminal cases, but as yet have not seen any money. I hope they keep their promises & send me a few dollars.

Well, toot, I'll close now, hoping that you are in perfect health & wish all my love,

Lovingly,

Joe

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March 29th, 1917

My sweetheart darling:-

Sorry I couldn't write yesterday & that I can't write to-day. I received both your letters, the fat one & the one of the 27th. I'll have to answer them to-morrow a Saturday.

I landed my Uncles case & that's keeping me busy. You will forgive me for not writing much won't you, darling too to mine.

I ~~could~~ may make some money & probably will see me this summer.

Tell me you love me.

With all my love

Sincerely,

Jos.

Worked to 11:45 last night preparing the papers & there's lot to do.

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My precious sweetheart Frances:

As I had ~~only~~ already written you that I couldn't answer your lovely big letter on account of business, I take this first opportunity to fulfill my promise, and hope you will, as I have forgiven, forgive me for not answering on time.

Yes, Toots, my uncle knew to whom to go when he wanted to go in bankruptcy. There was another young lawyer here, hanging around when I wasn't here, trying to get my uncle to give him some business, but now he sees all his underhand efforts have failed. It certainly is a pity that he has to go into bankruptcy, but it was the only thing he had to do, for if would have gone in voluntarily, his creditors would have forced him in, so what's the difference. In this way, voluntary bankruptcy, I can make some money, while the other way, I would only make about $50.00. If I make enough money, I would want to come home, of course, but this is bothering me. If I do come home, I will have to make enough out of this one so that I can have about $200.00 in the bank & then my face & enough for a ring; then again, I would want to be married this summer instead of next summer. Of course, this would have to be considered when I'm home, but dog-gone it, sweetheart, I am

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am hungry for you. I want you so! Even your more & heart aren't sufficient. I want you with me. I want to kiss you, to squeeze you, to ——— oh, Lord, I really don't know what to say further, but you can rest assured, I mean it.

About the birthday present, I want to say that I did appreciate it & appreciated it very much, but I wanted you to know that if I'd a would have permitted me, I would have returned your present. You see, I didn't know how you felt towards it, but as long as you have been so sweet about it, why, I don't have to say anything further.

Toots, when I wrote you about my having a headache, I felt so rotten, I didn't think I could stand it, but I'm over it as I have taken the precaution to wear my glasses. I hate to wear them, & when I read without them, my eyes start to burning & paining & before I know anything, I see "red". However, don't worry, honey, I'm feeling pretty good, but tired, owing to the work I had to do in my uncle's matter. You may be sure, whatever I get out of it, it was earned — & earned honestly, too.

As for my worrying, I have something to worry about and that is, to make enough money to support you. I must try my best to warrant the implicit faith you have

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in me. It sure did me a lot of good to read that in your letter. So think I have the love, the heart & the absolute loving faith of the sweetest girl in the world, who is shortly to be my wife, is enough to swell my head. For those reasons especially, am I trying my hardest & am not letting a thing slip by.

Business has kind of picked up since I came back & I believe its because Nature knows what I want, so is therefore helping me. I have appealed one of my cases I lost, but the other I didn't as my client moved out of the state and didn't want me to continue. I believe I will make a good beginning with my uncle's case. Everybody will be wondering who the chap is that's representing one of the biggest concern in the city and I can point, with some pride at least, to myself & say "I'm all guy guy." I think that little by little, I'll work up a nice practice, that is a general practice. Civil & criminal law included. Once I get a good foothold, I'll be a made man. I've got to stick & stick hard, too, to my clients & I'm sure, I will be recompensed. My law professors are watching me intently

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as I go along, because they said they expect me to make good in this world and want to see how I do it. They always expressed a fondness towards me & when they heard that I am representing my uncle, you can just imagine how they felt towards me. They are a great bunch, I can tell you. I told the Dean, who is a bachelor about you & he asked me to bring you up to him so that he can get a good look at the wife of his former pupil. That about the way he explained it.

Well, Toots, I must run down the store now, the receiver in bankruptcy is waiting for me, so I'll have to close now with all my love to my precious Frances,

Lovingly & yearningly,

Joe

Another nice fat letter, sweetheart, please.

I quit smoking cigarettes, but still smoke a cigar or pipe.

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April 2nd, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

Both your letters of the 29th & 30th received and, Toots mind, I sure did welcome them. I had an awful time yesterday. So blue and lonesome that I wished something would happen. In the morning, however, a cyclone struck a little town on the outskirts of the city & then came to Memphis & believe me, it sure did some damage. I was in bed when that happened.

I'm glad you went to see Roe at the store. How is she? Listen, Toots, did our folks ever meet yet? Let me know.

So you were lonesome for me! Sweetheart, you may believe me there isn't a night goes by that I don't dream of you. When I'm blue & out of sorts I always seek consolation by thinking of you. Whenever I do anything I always have you in mind & say to myself "This is for my Frances." I only wish I could be with you. I want you so much. I cut out this skipping & is just the appropriate thing. Tell me what you think of it. You can rest assured I will try my best that our ~~separation~~ separation or being apart, rather, will not be for very long. Well, Toots, all I can say is that when

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I get to see you, I'll show you how much I do love you.

I was so glad to hear that you are feeling well. I was worried about it, but now that you say you are in fine condition, I won't worry. As for my cold, it's all over. I only have a semblance of it left, but I suppose that will also pass over in a few days. About my eyes, I believe it's from reading beneath an electric light, but that doesn't explain the pain you had from your eyes. Probably it was that your eyes ~~say~~ sympathized with mine, but I don't care for you to be in pain just because I am. All the pain that you must have, I want it, so you won't suffer.

Well, sweetheart, how did you enjoy the show? I do so hope, you had a nice time. With whom did you go? I am glad that your folks remember me. Remember me to them. I was pleased to read that Ly also thought of me. Give him my regards.

Well, Toots, I've got to quit now, so will close with all my love to my precious sweetheart Frances,

Lovingly

Joe

I'm going, as I always do, dream of you tonight. There's a big, big, big, loving kiss.

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I'm missin' you so, and I wonder if you
Are missin' me somewhere tonight,
Wherever you are—in the dusk and the
dew,
While the day, with its bloom and its
blight,
Drifts into the twilight that beautifully
gleams,
As close to my heart I am holdin' my
dreams.

I'm wantin' you so; and I'm longin' in
vain
For the clasp of your hand close in mine,
The sound of your voice to be hearin'
again,
As your blue eyes with happiness shine.
I'm here, all alone in the kindly twilight,
And God only knows how I want you to-
night.

I'm needin' you so! all the dear vanished
days
Crowd in on my memory, it seems,
While my soul in its loneliness brokenly
prays
For the beautiful joy of my dreams:
With my arms so empty, Oh, God! is it
right
That sick and in vain I must need you
tonight.

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April 3rd, 1917.

My darling sweetheart:-

Received yours of the 31st and was very sorry that you felt hurt over not receiving any mail. Explained to you in a previous letter why I couldn't write. It was on account of my uncle's case, and it sure is keeping me running around now. I hope I'll make a nice few dollars out of it. You know, dearest, that if I don't feel well, or something goes wrong, I tell you. Don't I, Toots? So don't feel hurt & forgive me; I'll keep writing as steadily as I can.

I was very glad you liked the show, though sorry you didn't enjoy yourself on account of me. When we will be together, I'll make it up & show you that I really love you & you only with all my heart.

My balance of cases I have, haven't as yet come up, but I sure do hope they come up as I want to try it & win it. While writing this letter, Colton came over to me & gave me a case to handle for him. It's a personal injury case & maybe he'll give me some thing out of it, if I try & win it. That accident case I wrote to you about, it is getting along as it did before. I haven't as yet been

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employed in it, but expect to be called in any day. In a way, I'm glad I didn't go to that school banquet, because on that night I was working on my uncle's case which will probably net me a few dollars. I do so know how you want me to enjoy myself, but when I can't, I simply don't. Anyhow, I want you to enjoy yourself as much as you can. Understand me, precious? I'll make the best of anything so don't worry, but keep up loving me as you have been. That's my sole consolation, the fact that I know that a pure, innocent woman loves me with that love which is invaluable.

About the furniture, I believe you think too they are prettier now than ever because you are interested in it, but as you say, we won't buy any until you see it. Glad you received your sheets. You sure did earn it.

Well, Toots mine, I'll close now with all my love to my own sweetheart and wife-to-be,

Lovingly,

Joe

What do you think of the war situation? I am enclosing the clipping I forgot to enclose in yesterday's letter.

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My darling Toots:-

Just as I sat down to write this letter to you, the mail man brought in your letter dated "May 2nd", which, I suppose, is a mistake on your part, for instead of writing "April", your mind being on some "May day" you wrote what was in your mind.

Yes, dear, that case of my uncle's does require a good deal of hard work & a lot of my time as the creditors are very nasty & go around frightening them with threats. So, as soon as anything like that occurs I must be notified & then I begin scraping to with them. As a general rule, (am touching of wood till this date) I sliced them, but no telling how far they will go to do the fair couple harm. You can just bet I'll make my name on that case and people really will hear more of me.

So you are going to visit an art Studio. Well, Toots, I'm glad you are, for I'm sure you will enjoy yourself. I understand that Miss Gould's studios exhibit some of the most famous paintings. Let me know if that is true & also how you enjoyed yourself. As for you being honored by talking with the general artists, I beg to differ, for

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they will soon understand that when you
plead to them, they are being honored with your
presence. "Get me, Kiddets."

Well, Toots, about my coming home
this summer, I can only say what I have said
in my previous letter. If I can have $200.00 in
the bank, so that I don't have to spend any
of it for my trip, I'll come, otherwise I shall
be compelled to wait until next May. You
may rest assured that if I can come, I'll come,
for I do so want to see you. I want to take
you in my arms & squeeze you & kiss you, again
& again. Oh I still love you! Oh! my own Toots,
if I could only show you, I'm sure you
would be convinced. I think & dream of you
day & night & am only hoping & praying that
I can make enough out of this case so that
I can be with you this summer.

I'll have to close now, darling mine,
with all my love to my own precious kitty
darling,

Your ever loving,

Joe

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My darling Frances.-

Have been terribly blue since last night. Worrying about coming home this summer brings it on. Reason. On the 12th, the first meeting of creditors will be held in my uncle's case, & after that, (10 days after) they will probably sell the stock & then I'll be able to tell whether or not I'm going to be with you in July.

Oh! Honey, honey! How I want you. I had dinner to-day at an hotel & sat next to a women that looked so nearly like you that I wanted to ~~go~~ lean over & talk to her, but when I took a good look at her, well, she's as far from my taste as the North Pole is from the South Pole.

I'm feeling tolerably well, except for my eyes. They still pain me a little, but I hope it'll pass over soon.

How is my little precious Toots' feeling? ~~All~~ Splendid I hope.

Shall close now with all my love to my darling sweetheart.

Lovingly,

Joe

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Darling Frances:-

Both your welcome letters of the 3rd & 4th received & believe me, I was glad to get them. Somehow or other, I was blue all week, & when I got those letters, they kind of cheered me up.

I was blue because I knew I wouldn't have anywhere to go for Seder & when Friday night came I was eating at the same old restaurant, thinking of home & you and everybody & everything. Oh, how I longed to be home. I was so blue that I thought that I was an outcast, but I immediately pulled out some of your letters & read & re-read them to assure me that I was not forgotten. I hope by next year I'll have someplace at least to go in for Seder.

I'm so sorry you were unable to go over to my folks for Seder, but anyhow, I hope you enjoyed yourself at your uncle's. How did you find it? Did you like it? I can just picture my Toots sitting by my side while I made one. Did you know I could make a Seder? Believe me I can & I believe I know how to perform everything in every religious ceremony. Don't you wish the day came already when we could

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invite our friends & members of the family, eh, Toots?

There is only one thing that worries me, & that is the war situation. This is a small town, you see, & when the call comes, why, I'll be approached. Fellows of my age, unmarried, will be drafted. Honey, I just get to realize what a man Wilson is. The enthusiasm over his actions are nothing compared to what's going on here. Why, when the folks go to church they pray for Wilson. I sure do believe he's the greatest man we ever had for president. Did you read his proclamation? I be specifics who & who shall not be drafted at first & says that the married men will be exempt. I was just thinking how near I would have been to exemption. I suppose now you'll probably see me in a uniform. How would you like that? I suppose its the hand of Fate that decided we shouldn't marry in N. J. Do you remember how I forgot that you had said "yes," & the next day we went to get married & I forgot your answer & thought you said you "might"? Well, sweetheart mine, we'll have to let it go at that. If I am forced or drafted, I'll have to go, otherwise I'll keep out as long as I can. Anyhow don't you worry about it.

Yes, I'll have to wait & see if I can come home this summer. I'm glad you understand my position & therefore, will act

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accordingly. If there is any chance at all, I'll come home. I want to tell you something funny. I told my old professor, the bachelor, what you wrote & of course, complimented me upon having such a lovely sweetheart. Another man was there & not knowing from where I came said "Mr. Freedman, I am confident if you went to New York to practice, you'd be successful." I didn't say anything, but I was wondering if what he said was true. As I told you some time ago, I have a good chance here & the only time I will practice in New York, is when I'm given a dog-gone good proposition. Here is a stranger, who knows nothing of me personally, tells me that. Perhaps he spoke through recommendation. If so, why I see my labor producing fruit. I sure did feel good over that remark.

Rose didn't write me of her place in which to do some real pharmacy. I hope it is as you say, that she will have an opportunity to learn a good deal. I'm confident that they'll help her there as I know they all think a good deal of her. Perhaps if they do help her along, she'll get back her old fondness for the profession, as she sure was despondent at times. She sure is some good kid.

I had to smile when I read of your thoughts about artists. They sure are

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hard plugging proclers aren't they? Pardon the expression, Toots. I haven't much use for artists, though I just love a good painting. This is an age where one must produce. I am not one of those, but still those who produce must know when & where. There's where I come in. The camera has become a brain in itself. The motion pictures are sufficient to supply the needs of man, to show him what he can't see with his own eyes, so why sit & dope. Why don't they study or spend their time with good books? Why don't they take up a course so they won't be charges upon the community. I get started when I begin on that subject, so will stop writing about them. Anyway, I sure do hope you enjoyed yourself & learned something.

My eyes are still giving me a little trouble, but not to any extent. I'm wearing my glasses more than I used to, & owing to the softening effect on the light I don't suffer so much when I wear them. I haven't any more cold in my head. I'm feeling pretty good except for my "lamps". Well, Toots, there's nothing new in my uncle's case. Affairs things will be "didding" about the 12th of this month.

Well, precious mine, I hope you will like this fat letter. Don't forget that

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I, too, want big, fat letters.

So, I'll close now with all my love & kisses to my own darling Frances,

Lovingly,

Joe.

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My darling Frances:-

I received your letters of the 5th & 6th. Thanks for the catalogue.

Darling, I'm not feeling well to-day. My eyes pain so that I can't see practically & my head is in an awfull shape, so that I only can't write much to-day. Tell me you don't mind. I'm going to bed about 6 to-night. I've got an appointment at 5, with the referee in bankruptcy & as soon as I'm thru I'll go home & go to bed so I can dream of you. Please excuse this script. Can't write but don't want to disappoint. I'll send you an extra big fat letter.

With all my love precious mine,

Lovingly, Joe

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My darling Frances:-

To-day I'm feeling 100% better than yesterday, so am able to answer your welcome letters of the 5th & 6th.

Toots, darling, I'm so sorry you were blue. Don't feel that way, honey. I spoke to the attorney for the majority of creditors in my under cost & he told me he would see to it that I will get enough so that I can come home during the summer. This chap is a classmate of mine & is a nephew of the referee in bankruptcy who gives me my fee. Do you see that there is really something in that statement. Don't say anything about it to my folks, as I don't want to make them feel blue if it does happen that I can't come. I will know definitely as soon as the sale of stock is over, which will probably be about the 22nd or 23rd. If I can come, sweetheart mine, I'll be home about the 1st or 15th of July & be with you all until the early part of September.

As for you joining the Red Cross, of course I oppose it. Isn't it bad enough that I have to go? I don't want you to risk your life that is so precious to me, simply because I go. You may rest assured I hope that this will blow over so we don't have to go, but if we must go to war, why, we

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we must, & that's all to it. It sure does look serious & so much so, that I don't believe ~~it~~ peace is probable for another year or two at least. I sincerely hope it won't last that long.

Sweetheart, I certainly am sorry to hear that Daisy suffered so much & please convey my sympathy to her. I can understand the pain & suffering she underwent, as I had one tooth extracted and suffered enough. And you, Toots mine, with a heart bigger than your whole sweet self, attended her all during the terrible nights she spent! All I can say is that you are a wonderful dear & your sister sure has something to thank you for. How is she feeling now? I sincerely hope she is much better. She ought to be more careful than going out in the cold & catching a draught on the wound.

Well, Toots, things have been going along very quietly for me this last week. I got 2 cases but didn't collect a nickel all week. That's the way it goes in this profession. I sure do hope this week proves better. My uncle's case is getting along fine & dandy. If I could only get Goldberg to do some work, I can get some money out

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of the collection business & also build up a nice practice, but it seems impossible to do anything with him. If he fools around much longer, I'll fire him out of it. His wonderful sister is engaged to be married. Poor fellow, he don't know what's in store for him.

~~I~~ received that catalogue you sent me. Now, won't you please tell me what was beautiful in any of those pictures? I couldn't find a dog-gone thing in the whole shooting match. And yet you say is so wonderful! Well, Toots, I reckon you know better about that stuff than I do, but I would advise those "Artists" to get a pick & shovel & begin work. They'd be better off _____ and so would the community. Please don't be offended, but that's the way I feel about them. The poor fish!

Just got your other letter of the 7th and sure was sorry to hear about Sadie. What's the trouble with that poor kid? Maybe the dentist did a poor job of it? Don't you think that's probable. I hope that what you brought home for her will make her comfotable. So you had an experience with a quack doctor! Well, it just goes to prove what I think of them

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is correct, not having my room-mate.

I can't blame you for being blue when you wrote that letter of the 6th. Uh, Toots, how I do wish I was with you to kiss you, to comfort you and to make you happy. You can just bet I'll leave all my scrapping here when I come home, for I really enjoy you winning all the time. I'll follow your advice & be a big regular lawyer & beat everyone, except _____ my darling Frances. You just can't imagine how I drink I was home with you.

I had to smile when you wrote about trying to get me some clients. Let me thank you, first of all, dearest, for trying so much, & hope the next time, it will prove more successful. Here's a big, big kiss for trying.

That poor imp, Goldberg, makes me tired. I don't write much about him because I have very little to do with him. I got $10.00 out of him & need just another $5.00 to be even with him. I just despise that fellow. I just can't get him to do a thing with that collection agency. I suppose I'll have to do all of it. You can

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rest assured, if I get it once a going, I'll show him where he gets off. You never saw such an indolent, good-for-nothing specimen of manhood like him.

Well, precious, am sorry you had to work Sunday. On Thursday, I also was working & wondering what you were doing.

Now, Toots darling I'll have to close, as I've got to go up & see that referee in bankruptcy, so will close with heaps & heaps of kisses & all my love to my own Frances,

Lovingly

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Remember me to your folks. Tell Daddy to take care of herself

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Darling Frances:-

Received your darling letter of the 9th & was very sorry to read that you think I don't love you because you didn't receive a letter from me on Saturday. I thought you knew that if I didn't write, it simply was impossible for me to do so, so I'll try my best to let you have a letter from me every day. Yes

Sweetheart I received a part of a shave-up in my uncle's case. They offer a settlement to clear up everything & if the creditors accept, it simply means that my fee will be considerably less. If I make $100 or $200 at the utmost, I'll be lucky. After paying my debts which amount to practically $75 which must be paid as soon as I get the money, you see I won't be able to come home. I had intended that if I come home we might get married. Anyhow I'll have to wait until to-morrow & probably I'll find out at that time how much I'll get. If I make $200, I may come home for 4 weeks.

I was very sorry to hear that your sister still suffers from her throat. I sincerely hope that the pain will leave her & very soon too.

I wish you would be more careful, dear. It seems you don't love me anymore, for if you did, you wouldn't be talking & hinting

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yourself. Please do take care of yourself, won't you? It is needless for me to reiterate my statements that I love you. You know I do, & I am only hoping that I can be with you to show you I do. I dream of you & think of you day & night. Everything I do, ~~too~~ is done with the sense that I'm doing it for you. Don't that show you that I love you & love you with all my heart?

I didn't do much last Sunday. I went to a few picture shows & then at night, went home & read until about 12 30. I sure did enjoy that bit I read. It was a book called "lectures" which is given in conjunction with the "Harvard Classics."

Well, darling, I'd love to chat now, as I'm busy with the referee in bankruptcy. To-morrow's the ordeal. The first meeting of creditors is on & am so dog-gone anxious to know what's going to happen.

With all my love to my sweetheart who has so many fascinating young doctors around, & heaps of kisses,

Lovingly
Joe.

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Darling Frances:-

Feeling quite hoppy to-day over the turn of events that has taken place in my suit's case. At the last ~~case~~ minute, my suit refused to offer a settlement so now we are going clean through, & that means more money for me & a dog-gone good chance for me to come home during the summer. Aren't you glad, Toots.

This meeting occured this morning & I can tell you ~~you~~ we all heaved some did work I had. Say all in for to-day, as we had an awful scrap. You can take it from me, no one attempted to walk over or scare me.

Well darling, how are you? Didn't get a letter from my Toots to-day. Awfully disappointed, too. How's Sadie? Is she feeling any better? I sure do hope so.

Toots, I'm dreadfully tired. I'm going to ~~&~~ lie down for awhile, so I'll quite to be in time for the last mail.

With all my love to my precious Toots,

Lovingly,
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Darling Frances:-

Your letters of the 10, 11, & 12 & postal card all received to-day. I was surprised to read that you don't receive my mail regularly, but I suppose you know that it is the delay in the mail that keeps you from getting my mail regularly.

Yes, Toots, it seems that nearly every woman that resembles you in figure looks to me as my Frances. You all, dear, I am always thinking of you, dreaming of you and talking about you. There are days that I feel so peculiar. I walk around like in a trance. I feel like squeezing you, kissing you & no more than I feel like so doing, I remind myself you are not here, so I get a disappointed feeling over me that I can hardly resist. Believe me, darling mine, when I get home, I'll make up for lost time. Again, I simply cannot get along without those dog-gone blues. You all, I get so lonesome, it bound to come. Of course, I'll try & obey you, and try & stop them from coming on.

I am wearing my glasses more regularly now than I did, but I just can't

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wear them continuously. I can't bear the sight of them. I sure do hope I can get rid of them sometime. I take nice long walks & I feel sure they are doing me a lot of good. At least, when I walk alone, nobody to bother me, I begin thinking of everything. As you know, no doubt, I am not ~~fond~~ fond of gambling, so I don't hang around pool & dance halls, but once in a while, I play a little game of pool or billiards, just for the sake of pastime. Toots, darling, I'll never wear a green eye shade, so that settles it on that score. I am reading quite a good deal of late, but not during the night, but, when I have to, I do.

I am glad that your sister is much easier after Prof. Lanier's visit, but I'll be dog-goned if I can understand this. When the doc called & gave her the same medicine you gave her, she felt better, but when you gave it to her, she felt just as bad. Can you all explain it to me, please. I am having the same trouble with my Uncle. Just because I am a Kin of his, he wants to tell me how to try a case.

Well, Toots, so you attended a Dinner. I am sure you enjoyed yourself, but for me, dear, I can assure you, I felt pretty blue. Sweetheart mine, you may rest assured that if I can teach you anything, I'll do so, but

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I believe your mother can teach you all that is necessary for a woman to know in preparing a Seder. Yes, my little "Shifer", we will be happy on some Passover to come, won't we, honey? You are not stupid & you must understand I'm not & know I'll never have cause to be ashamed of you, my future wife.

As for the war situation, all I can say is that any day I expect a letter from the War Department at Washington, ordering me to report. I expect it to come within 45 days. I said this to myself, if I get the money from that case of my uncle's in time I'll probably be home with you before the time I ~~expected~~ planned. That is, if I possibly can leave without it interfering with the case. I'll try my best to come home before I go to war.

Well darling, how did you enjoy yourself at my mother's? How did you find things in general? I don't know what to say about Rose. She doesn't like the work in pharmacy, it seems. I sure do hope things will turn out O.K. for her. She sure did work hard & is a hard working kid & I don't like the way the store is working her so hard. She wrote to me about her "promotion," but they are practically overworking her.

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Did you enjoy that little tea party at Osborn Hall? How is the head nurse treating you. I sincerely hope you are enjoying your position at the hospital. Has Dr ~~Dr~~ planted the seed yet for you? Ah! sweetheart, mine. I wish the time came when I'll be planting seeds for you in our own little back yard. Flowers just for you, your own sweet self. Then we will raise a few little vegetable plants & have some chickens, eh, Toots, mine? Don't you wish the time came already. It will be ours, all ours, you & I, enjoying the sweetest that life holds for any man & woman

I didn't, as yet, write what happened at the meeting of creditors. Well, they had my uncle on the stand answering questions for one & a half (1½) hours) at a go, & they couldn't twist him, try as they might. He, my uncle, got me kind of sore, tho. He wanted me to raise objections, when I couldn't possibly do it, to questions that were very ~~vital~~ material. I just told him to shut up & do as I say. At last, we got through with the meeting. We fixed the sale for the 19th instead of the 22nd, so you see I'll probably get some money by the time the 22nd comes around. I expect, tho, that

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that the creditors are going to put up a stiff fight on the second meeting. I don't, look as tho I'll be ~~them~~ with them wherever & whenever they start anything.

Now darling, you frightened me in your letter when you said you didn't love me any more. Who you, now, after your sister Nell gave you the 2 letters? I hopes, sweetheart, 'cause I'm lonesome & hungry for you & 'cause I love you love you with all my heart.

I shall close now, darling mine, with all the love of my yearning heart,

Yours & yours only,

Loving

Joe

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April 16th, 1917.

My darling sweetheart Toots:-

Your very welcome letter of the 13th (even though it was hoodoo day) received & believe me, honey, I was glad to hear you enjoyed yourself at my mothers. See to it that Rose & mother go out to your house on the day they promised.

I'm feeling much better now, when I wear my glasses. They don't need changing, but I believe I ought to wear them continuously & if I do, they won't pain me. My glasses have such a soothing effect that they comfort my eyes to a great extent, but of course, I'm stubborn & therefore don't wear 'em as much as I have to.

I showed the classmate of mine that part of your letter about me coming home & all he did was to reiterate his previous statements, that he will do all he can to help me. As I have already written you, it all depends on the sale of the stock. The sale is on for the 19th that comes on Thursday of this week, & I sure do hope everything will come out as I thought. Sweetheart mine, talking about longing for you! Well, last night

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I dreamt of you & could have sworn that I had you in my arms, but then I went, & woke up, only to find that I had been dreaming. Oh, Toots, Toots, if I could only be with you!

I shall have to close now as I must run to the Court House & attend to something, so by-by till to-morrow,

Loving by,

Joe.

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My sweetheart Frances:-

Yours of the 15th at hand & believe me, hon, sure did feel like coming home this morning. Toot, I'll be home this summer if I make enough out of my uncle's case. I'll have to wait until Thursday, 11 o'clock, at which time the sale will be held. I also, am hoping & praying that the stock will bring enough so that I can get a fee to enable me to come home.

My eyes haven't been bothering me as much as they did & sure am glad of it. Only I'm longing for you. I've made up my mind if there is any sort of a chance for me to come during the summer (there is practically nothing doing during that time) I'll come shooting home to my precious sweetheart, eh? Toots, mine, you are always in my mind. Always thinking of the time when I'll be with you. You can rest assured, we'll make up for lost time.

Darling, I must go to the outskirts of the city tonight to see a nigger. Will probably land a case, so will close now, with all my love to my precious darling Toots,

Lovingly,

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April 18th, 1917.

My darling sweetheart Frances:-

Your sweet letter of the 16th received & am going to say, before I go further, that I love you, I love you with all my heart. I long for you, I want you & am so lonesome for you. I am only hoping & praying that your thoughts will come true & that is that I will be with you this summer. That dog-gone sale comes off tomorrow at 11 A. M. & can hardly wait until then. That sale is my sole hope, for my fee will depend on it, therefore, the more that comes in the more I get.

Darling, mine, don't worry about the war situation. Let us all hope for the best. If I must go, I'll go, & there is no way out of it. I don't think there will be much to it, anyway, but, as you know, it depends wholly on Congress. I regret that we didn't go to Jersey not for the purpose of getting out of the army, but because I love you & loved you so at that time & I simply wanted to know that when I leave N. Y. I was a married man & that my precious Frances was my wife. Toots, if I should come home during this summer, would you be willing to do ~~it~~ that now what we failed to do in January? That is, to go to Jersey & get married. I wish

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wondering if you would. Let me know.

This summer Lucian you will have a very pretty garden. Lucie am very glad of it, for if there is anything I love, Lucie do love a little garden & vegetable patch. Don't you Toots? When we have our own little home, we're going to have one, too, aren't we?

Yesterday was so hot, I didn't know what to do. I met a friend of mine & he said "Come to a Turkish bath with me." I did, & Toots, this morning I felt so fine that I could have done anything _____ even join the army.

There is one thing I can't overcome & that is that lonesomeness. If you were only here with me, I would enjoy life to its ethereal-ities, & you know, honey, I don't speak idle words.

Toots, will have to prepare now for to-morrow morning & as I see that uncle of mine coming along the street headed here, I'll close, with all my love to you, my precious, my sweetheart,

Lovingly

Joe.

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My darling Frances:-

No mail from you to-day, but I believe its delayed & will probably get it to-morrow.

The sale was held to-day, and if only brought $3030.00, & together with $700 which was collected, brings it up to $3730.00, upon which is based my fee. I am so disappointed, that I don't ~~feel~~ care what becomes of the whole thing. I'll probably know what my fee will be on Saturday. Then I'll be able to figure out if I can come home or not. If there is the least possible chance, I'll come.

Soot, mine dear friend. I worked pretty hard to-day, & as it is so hot, I can't do a thing, so shall close with all my love to my darling sweetheart.

Lovingly,

Joe

Forgive this short letter.

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My darling sweetheart Frances:-

To-day I received 3 letters from you, dated 17th, 18th, & 19th; I suppose it was the delay in the mail that caused it.

Well, Toots mine, owing to my confidence in a college friend, I'm the loser of about $200. I'll tell you how. The storm sold for $30 & 30 as I told you & they have, up till to day, collected $90 on open account which brings it up to approximately $4000. I had asked this friend to speak to his uncle about my getting a nice big fee so that I could come home. He told me he did. Then I went up to the judge this morning and asked him & he intimated that this "friend" of mine never did such a thing. Didn't say a word about it. Then I asked the judge about my fee & he put me off till Monday when I'll get my check. He refused to tell me how much I'll get and said that I'll get as much as any & other lawyer would get in the same circumstances. I then proceeded to ask my friend, Taylor is his name, how much I should expect, after the

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judge had said that & he said about $150. What do you think of that? Honey, I'll have to believe Cohn. Cohn told me to look out or Saylor would double cross me & he did. That's the thing. He betrayed the confidence I reposed in him and you may rest assured I'll never forget & forgive him for doing so. I'll know by Monday how much I'll really get & by Wednesday, you'll know. I'll say this, whatever I do get & I can spare $75, fare & a few weeks to live on, I'll come home pretty soon, probably in the middle of May & stay for about 3 or 4 weeks. Darling mine, I've got to come home because this consumption bill as you said will pass, and if it does, it will pass pretty soon. I am going to talk to Cohn & ask him if he will take over the case if I must leave for home. There will be another meeting of the creditors & I don't believe I'll have to be there as there is going to be a big fight among the creditors themselves & will probably involve the bankrupts. If so, I'll try & have Cohn attend to it as he is also named as attorney for the bankrupts as I put his name down with mine, but I don't

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have to give him any thing out of my fee. So all we have to do is to wait till Monday.

Sweetheart, the latest bulletin now say that all those who get or got married since the outbreak of war between the U.S. & Germany, will not be exempt. Toots, even if I have to go, will you be willing to be married when I come home on this trip? Either as we once intended to do or publicly. Think it over. Whichever way it does happen, you must understand it will take at least another year before we can live together so that I can be making a living to support you. The reason why I want to get married now is because if I do go to war & get killed, you can say that your husband died for his country, & if I don't go to war or if I get through safely, we will know we have one another. Please don't fail to let me know by my immediate next letter.

You still want to know if I really love you, Dearest Frances, if I can only show you that I do. Here I am, willing to marry you, and you refuse, & yet you ask me if I love you. Toots, do you really love me so much as I love you. When you retire at night, do you say

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a little prayer for me to be able to be with you as I pray that you may be with me? I am quite sure that you do as I am pretty confident, from your letters that you do, but Toots, here I am, all alone, nobody to love me when I am lonesome, except your darling welcome letters, but Oh, Toots, if we were only together, I'm sure that both of us would be satisfied that each of us love the other as much as any couple can love. Isn't that true? If everything goes along nice & smooth, & war doesn't interfere, it won't be long before we are living together down here. I'll try my best to make a living & with the accumulation of time & hard & persistent study we will be well off.

In reference to the pharmacy profession here, you must take the State Board here, but I've found out it's simply easy to pass either the pharmacy or medical exams here. 149 people went up for the medical exam here & only 18 failed. I believe that will show any one that it was easy, & that only happened last year. Of course the exam may be harder this year. Pray, and why did you ask about it? Whatever you do, don't think that here you're back

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a wonderful reputation down here, because it hasn't. I've found that out through experience.

Precious sweetheart mine, that dog-gone case completely knocked me out. Disappointed thoroughly & feel so down-hearted and blue to-day, you can't imagine. Any way, darling, it may be yet that I'll be able to come home, so don't you worry & feel blue about it until you hear from me by Wednesdays letter. Whatever happens, I'll immediately sit down & write you.

Keep adoring me, darling mine & show your lonesome, disappointed lawyer man you still love him.

With all my heart wishes, love & all my kisses I can give to so sweet, and noble & pure girl ~~that~~ whom I have the honor to call my own,

Lovingly yours

Joe

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April 23rd, 1917.

My darling Sweetheart:-

Am in receipt of yours of the 20th & want to say that you are not a crazy cat for writing that letter. On the other hand it simply showed me how much you love me & I'll read & reread it time & again.

Darling, I thought you would probably know prior to this letter whether or not I was coming home, but I must disappoint you & make you wait until to-morrow. The trustee who must sign the sheet with the referee, is out of town & won't be back until to-morrow & I expect I'll get my money then. The referee wouldn't tell me how much I'll get because, as he says, the ~~trustee~~ trustee must be there when he decides. So you see my position.

My nerves are all mussed on account of this case, & I hope you will not be angry over this short letter, but I feel so, I just simply can't write more, so shall close with all my love & heaps & heaps of kisses,

Your ever loving

Joe

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April 24th, 1917.

My darling sweetheart:-

Just as I sat down to write you some good news, in came your letter of the 20th.

Toots mine, I made $300.00 out of my uncle's case. What do you think of it, darling? Isn't that good? Well, Toots, I've decided to come home, but not for the summer. It must be before then, as the consumption bill seems very likely to pass within the next 6 days, & I want to be home before Sis caught here. Toots, I am going to pay off $75 in debt, come home on $100 & leave a $100 here in the bank. Again, I may leave here around the 1st of May & be with you for 20 days, so that when I come home here, I may be able to make a few dollars here during the summer months, how, darling mine, are you glad to get this news?

Honey, I do love you. I love you with all [illegible] mine. I don't think there's another fellow who loves his sweetheart as much as I do you. When I go to bed or I awake, you are always in my mind. How I can hardly await the time for me to

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come home & show you that I do, but must believe we won't have come Time when I get to you.

Irene was glad to hear that you are enjoying yourself so much. How did you like the play at the Comedy Theatre? and how did you ~~do~~ enjoy yourself at the Japanese party? Irene would have loved to be with you, but someday, Toots mine, someday. Wherever we'll go, we'll go together, you & I, and I for one, do hope that time comes pretty soon.

Keep on embroidering, darling, & don't worry whether or not you'll get through. Every thing will come out O. K.

Honey, I must go up to the office now & see if I can't get my check now. Write me a nice long letter, nice & fat, & tell me how much you love me for I'm just pining for you.

With all my love to my own precious sweetheart, from yours,

Ever lovingly,

Joe

How's your sister Daisy feeling?

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April 25th, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

Didn't get any mail from you to-day, so far, but perhaps there will be something for me this afternoon.

Dear, I got my check for $300.00 to-day & paid out already $75.00, leaving still a few minor claims or debt.

We had an awful scrap to-day with the creditors. They had my uncle on the stand for 2 solid hours & they just simply could'nt shake him. Besides being frightened about his testifying, I was, at first ashamed to walk into the court room as I thought that brilliant uncle of mine would tell an entirely different story there than what he told me, but he must have studied hard what I drilled into him & therefore came out O. K.

Sweet, I was thinking of leaving here for N. Y. on Tuesday, May 1st & if I can possibly do it, I'll do so. It all depends on this case as the ~~referee~~ referee told me he would pay me the fee all at once or condition I help the trustee & him which I readily agreed to. I suppose there will be one or two more examinations & then I'll be through. I really do hope

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it will be soon, as I'm tired of it. I worked pretty hard on that case & don't feel that $300.00 is enough. The referee told me he wouldn't allow any unnecessary delay or litigation & I'm pretty confident if he says that, it won't be long before I'm through with it.

Well, Toots, and how are you? How are you feeling, sweetheart mine? Still love me? Honey, I sure am anxious to be with you .. I love you so.

Shall close now, honey mine, with all my love, Ever

Lovingly

Joe

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April 26th, 1917.

Darling Toots, mine:-

Just received both your darling letters of the 23rd, one being written at night. Darling, that letter which you wrote at night was simply a masterpiece. It was wonderfull, Toots, the way you showed me how much you loved & love me. I never doubted your love sweetheart, but I've been so lonesome & disappointed that I reckon my mind flew faster than my pen & therefore wrote the way I did.

Precious mine, I hope it won't be long before we are together again as I expect to leave here either Saturday night or Monday night. I'll send you a telegram the night I leave. Colyn wanted to loan me the money before I got my check, but I felt I'd better stay here & see the thing through as you know how I felt all during that time. I am going to communicate with my Senator & see if he can't extend my time, if the conscription bill passes, so that I can be with you for at least 30 days. Darling mine, I won't say another word about war, until I'm with you & then we can discuss that & ~~when~~ about being either secretly or publicly married. Any way suits me, darling, as all I want is you. About your joining the Texas State Board, we'll also have to discuss that, as I'm not favorably inclined to have

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my wife work when I should do all the supporting. Maybe there is something else in it which you haven't stated in your letter, so we'll revise & discuss everything thoroughly when I get home.

Toots, don't ever think I doubted your love for me. I don't, never did & never will, for I believe in you implicitly. I believe in you & because I love you. Love you so much that all I do is think of you, dream of you and talk of you. You, my own, my wife-to-be. Ah! darling mine, how I could take you in my arms, squeeze you and kiss you. Hold you to my heart and whisper how much, much my heart holds for you. Frances, dear, I'm not well up in writing letters the way you are, that is such letters that are fit for an author's pen, but every thing you wrote applies to you from me. The only thing in addition that I can say is that when I get home, I'll show you & the whole world how much I love you, how much I need you & how much I love & want you.

I am not, as yet, through with my uncle's case. Every day this week I've been in that dog-gone court-room listening, yawning & napping. I can tell you, wifie mine, that I'm am tired. My strength is practically all zapped up. The worst part of it all is that there is practically



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June 19th, 1917.

My darling Toots Frances:-

Slept rotten last night as I was continually thinking of how hard you are working and could hardly wait to write and ask you how you are now. Are you still very tired, nervous mine? I sure do wish I could help you in some way so as to relieve you a bit. Do take care of yourself,

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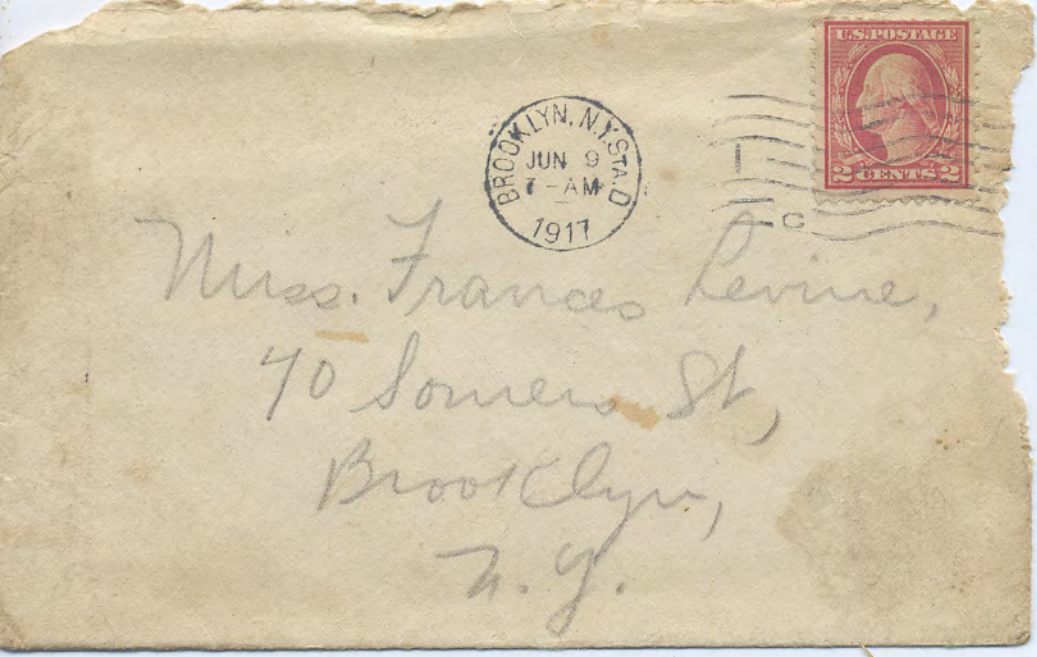
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My darling precious Frances:-

Please excuse pencil and shortness of letter as I haven't a pen with me and haven't much time to write as it 5:30 A.M., just got up.

I couldn't sleep last night as I thought probably you were hurt over my attitude through our telephone conversation, but I can assure you, darling, I didn't mean anything wrong if I did hurt you and I sincerely & humbly beg your pardon. I love you too much to hurt you, and I am just biding my

time so that I can show you how I want you. Darling mine, I love you and love you more & more as the days go by. How are you ~~precious mine~~? Do you still love me? I do so, sweetheart, & I love you & want you more than anything in the world.

I'll be to you home Sunday, if I get off, as soon as I can.

By-by, sweetheart mine, remember I love you.

Lovingly & lonesomely yours.

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Extend friend & folks.





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My darling Frances:-

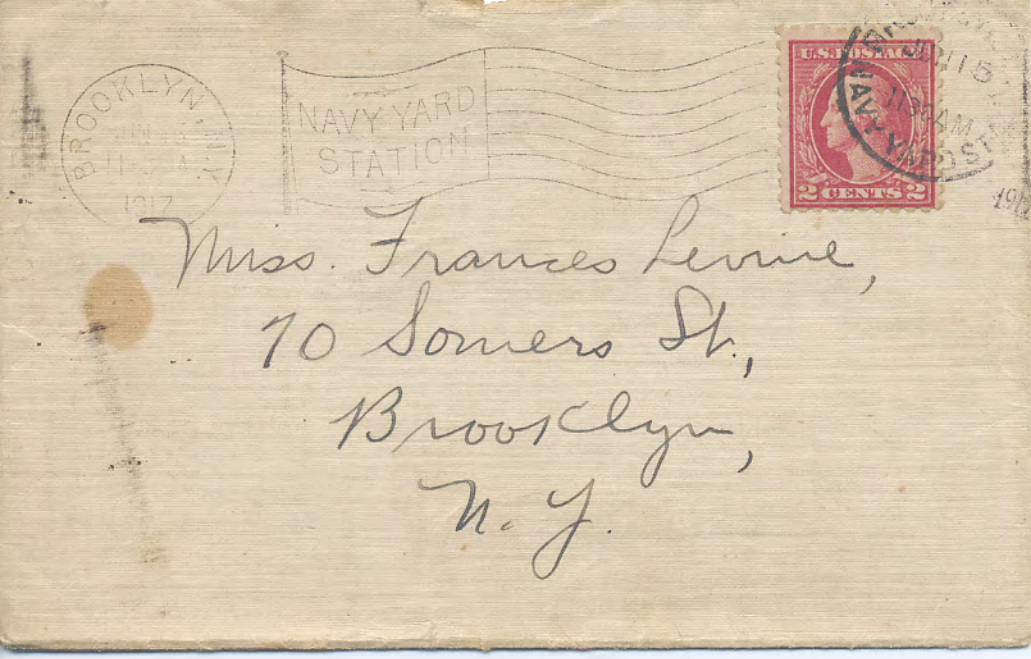
I am sorry to tell you that I cannot locate your letter, so far. I've gone to the mail clerk & he seems to have misplaced it, the same with the one my mother sent. I just got back from a hike to Prospect Park. Believe me, toots, I'm dead tired. Last night when I got home, I saw the landlord & he gave me a few deeds mortgages & bonds to read over & he said that ~~out~~ when something comes along, he's going to put me right. Hope I

make some money.

No more, darling, so tired close with all my love to my own ——!

Lovingly

Joy.



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Navy yard, B'klyn,
N. Y., June 15, '17

My darling Frances:-

Its exactly 5 30 A. M. and every body in the tents still being fast asleep, I have the opportunity to write.

I got in this morning at 5 10, took a rest, and then started to write. I am going to mail this in the navy yard before 11 A. M. so perhaps you'll get this either late this after-noon or early to-morrow morning.

Its raining cats & dogs. My Khaki clothes are still very wet. Will probably put on my other Khaki trousers & keep on my black shoes as my tan ones are the

roused. I don't know if we will drill to-day. I hope not as I don't feel like it very much, but you know, its not what I want, its the officer.

How are you, darling? Did you take a good rest? I got home 10-15 or 30. My mother was over to Mrs. Rifkin. I went to bed soon after I came home.

No more now sweetheart so will close with all my love to my Francis,

Lovingly

Joe.



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Brooklyn,
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July 17th, 1917

My darling Frances:-

Am on guard to-day. "In waiting". That is I haven't actual guard duty to-day, but if any guard is taken sick while on post, I take his place. I only hope I'm on guard to-morrow, for if so, I get a 48, if not, I'm due for Sunday, I expect. I sure do hope I do get this 48.

Yesterday, I drew clothes. I got trousers to match, a pair of leggings & 3 pair gray woolen socks and they're charging me $3.97 for the

much. Do you think that much?

I dreamt of you all night last night. Thought I was looking all around for you and as soon as I saw you I woke up. It one was tough.

Well, Toots, how are you? Feeling blue? Hope not. Don't know when I'll see you. Either Wednesday a Thursday night.

No more, so will close with all my love,

Lovingly,

Jon



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June 19th, 1917.

My darling Toots Frances:-

Slept rotten last night as I was continually thinking of how hard you are working and could hardly wait to write and ask you how you are now. Are you still very tired, nervous mine? I sure do wish I could help you in some way so as to relieve you a bit. Do take care of yourself,

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No more now, darling, so will close with all my love & kisses to my own sweetheart pet,

Lovingly
Joy.

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honey.

I received my tonic from Memphis and expect my books to come along pretty soon.

I was innoculated this morning and believe me sweetheart, it sure does pain. When he pulled the needle out of ~~mine~~ my arm this time it bled profusely until I rubbed the iodine over it and then it stopped. It sure does pain and my arm is so swollen that I can hardly lift it.

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Marine Barracks,
Navy Yard,
Bklyn, N.Y.
June 21st, 1917.

Sweetheart Frances:-

Well how did you sleep last night? I slept pretty well only I got up kind of tired. I believe I'll read a little to-night — with my glasses on — and then go to bed early.

It's 9 minutes to 8 P.M. and I expect to be off on liberty at 8:30. I will probably be at the park until 3 P.M. I hope it won't be a hard day to-day as I'm not very much in the mood of hiking.

When I got home

last night, I found a picture of Levi which he had sent to Rose. You should have seen him. A regular guick. I'll try and bring it with me when next I come.

Honey, haven't much more except that I love you and love you with all my heart, my own precious Tots.

With a big hug and lots & lots of kisses & with all my love,

Lovingly

Joz.





Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

June 25th, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

It's 7:45 P. M. and the only chance I had to write to-day because, though we didn't go to the park, we had inspection and besides that, I got my 3rd innoculation. Lord, but it sure does pain. My arm is entirely frozen and I believe that probably its because it's my last shot, that's why it pains so much more than the other times as I believe he put more of that stuff in to-day than all other times. I hope it won't pain me so much to-morrow as I am coming out to see my little sweetheart.

The rest of the

fellows in camp are carrying on to beat the band. Leap frog & all those kiddish games. I tell you, honey, they sure are some dopes. They think I'm a fool because I don't join them in their idiocies but I simply can't be with them as I don't want to have too much to do with them. I sure do wish this dog-gone war is over so I can get out of here.

My eyes have been bothering me a good deal to-day, but couldn't wear my glasses when waiting for inspection, but as soon as I could, I put them on. Well, Toots, how are you feeling? Are you still tired? I hope not. Are you still keeping

very busy down the dispensary? Please don't work so hard, hyon hear?

I'll have to close now, honey mine, with a big hug & kisses to my darling sweetheart,

Lovingly

Joy.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

June 27th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Couldn't help it, but had to write. Felt awfully lonesome & blue last night after I left so made up my mind to write to you the first thing in the morning.

Mom was tickled over the announcement cards, but can't understand why you went to such an offense. She said the card was the prettiest she had ever seen, but my father ~~was~~ got kind of sore at me because I didn't bring home any cards.

Well, how's mine, how are you feeling? Tired?

Hope not. How did you find your uncle?

I'm going on another hike to-day. Didn't get my gun as I thought I would.

Have time to write more, so will close with all my love to my sweetheart Toots,

Lovingly,

Joe.



Miss. Frances Levine,
40 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

June 29th, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

Went to bed last night at about 9 o'clock no more than laid down & fell asleep, when Lolly woke me up saying that Levi was here, so I got up and think was my room-mate. He came pretty late, but he was here just the same. I was sorry you couldn't meet him, but it can't be helped. He is going home on Monday & then will leave Boston on the 23rd of July, but he says he will not be able to come to the house before he goes.

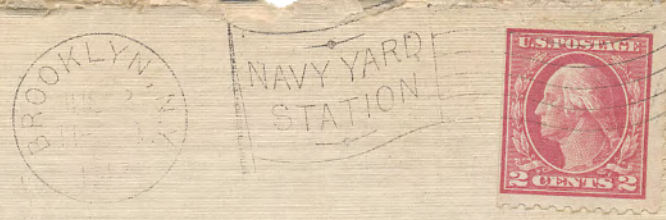
Mamma was pretty sore last night because you

didn't wait for supper. She purposely had prepared things for you, but you could not wait, of course, so that's why she got that way.

Jane and Tuck, honey, as I went back to bed at 11:30 and slept till 4, so you see I didn't have much rest at that, so will close now with all my love to you, my treasure,

Lovingly

Joe,



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July 2nd, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

Good morning, sweetheart mine, how are you? I'm O.K. Got in this morning at the usual time. Went to bed at 11 45 last night, and what do you think? at exactly 4 o'clock I woke up, without anybody waking me. Of course, everybody had to get up.

Another thing. When I got home last night, Nora & Lee weren't home. They came in near 11 30. I was kidding her along something awful, & sore! Lordy, lordy. As I told you, if anything serious should arise between them I'm going to take.

I gave mom the $10 and told her about our proposition. She sure was happy & said it was the wisest & the best thing to do. Of course, we, you & I, receive her blessings & if we could change them to money, we'd have a couple of millions.

I'll close now darling with all my love to my little sweetheart, Dot.

Lovingly,

Joy.

Mom is holding the money until I go to the house.







Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July 5th, 1917.

Darling Frances mine:-

Are you still angry with me? Hope not, coz. Slept pretty badly last night. Didn't know if you ~~were~~ were or not, so during the night I'd get up every few minutes. Now it's 5.30 A.M. and am in the barracks writing to my little sweetheart.

How are you feeling? O.K. I hope. My shipmate is telling me how he spent his 4th. He sure must have had a pleasant time.

Brought home some rare last night + after I

had gone to bed, my father got up & finished it. You know he is not allowed to eat sweets, so my mother got a hold of me this morning & believe me, I don't think I'll ever bring home cake again.

Will close now, Love, with all my love to my own little Frances,

Lovingly,

Joy.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Sumner St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

July 19th, 1917.

Darling Frances:

Didn't get your letter yet, but suppose I will get it later in the morning. It only 7:45 A.M. at time of writing.

When I got up this morning, Mom told me she was up all night last night with Pop. He was very ill & didn't fall off to sleep until morning. Can you imagine how I feel? Really do think I ought to make an application for a discharge & go out & help support the family. Mom herself is very sick over

the hard work & strain. He's sure I don't know how she can stand it.

Must fall in for troop now so will have to close with all my love,

Lovingly

Jon.





Miss. Frances Levine,
40 Somer St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July 21st, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

I didn't get any mail from you for about a year, did I? If that isn't so, then it seemed that way.

I expect I will go on guard to-day; if so, I will be off to-morrow night, when I'll be over to see you. If I go on to-morrow, I'll see you to-night.

What do you think of the drafting? Has Ez or Barney been caught? I hope not. Hope both of 'em can get by.

Pop has been very nice lately. I told you he ~~[illegible]~~ to an insurance company for nice benefit. Well he made application for nice benefit o

he was injured. They wouldn't give him a cent because he has an illness contracted before taking out the policy. I told him so in the beginning, but someone else told him I didn't know what I was talking about, so he didn't listen to me. The worst of it is he belonged over three years.

Mom asked me last night if she could hold on to the $50.00 as there is no money practically coming in, and I told her that that was what you suggested therefore it was alright for her to do so. Poor mom, she sure is suffering. I told her

I will save with her until things come to normal condition at home then I will deposit in the bank. You don't mind, do you? I'm pretty sure you don't.

Rose, I understand, is going back to work on Monday. She says she won't go back until they give her $2 more than she was getting. I was told that Mr. Eichardt sent for her. What do you think of that, eh?

Well, Toots, will have to close as reveille is pounding. With all my love to my precious Frances,

Lovingly,

Joe.



Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July 24th, 1917.

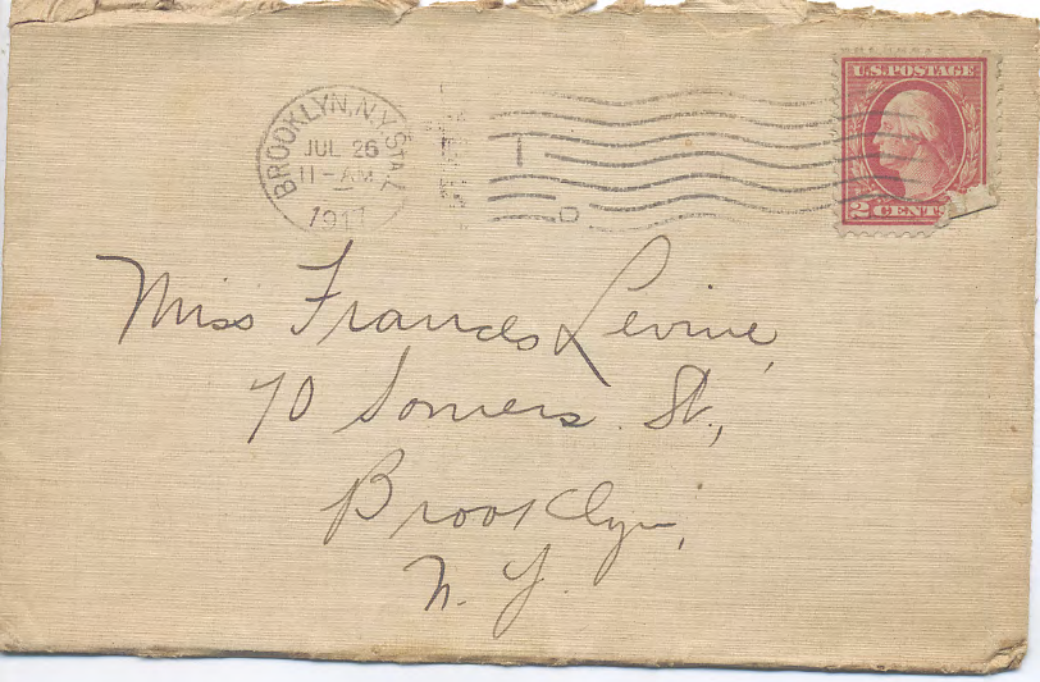
Darling France:-

Lts & A. M. Must go to the Park in 5 minutes, so haven't the time I thot I have. Got off last night, but felt ill & sleepy, so went straight to bed. Won't be off until Wednesday. Please excuse me for not coming down last night while off.

Yours and your foot.

Loving

Jo.



Miss Frances Levine
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July 26th, 1917.

My darling Frances:-

Felt pretty sick last night. Head pained so, I could hardly lie down, but this morning, Boot, it felt a little better! My cold is much easier. I think its from the menthol drops I used, but my head still pains, but not much.

Mom suffered something awful last night, and this morning she couldn't get up. Rose & I are going to chip in & buy her a kind of a vibrator which Rose says would be good

P.S. Will take the ~~Doctor~~ salts this afternoon.

to relieve the pain. It will probably be $5 or $6 for my share. I'll take it out of my spending money, so that I still can put away my $20.

Pop isn't feeling very well either, but he won't stay away from the shop.

I'll write you again to-morrow morning if I have time and will positively call you up to-morrow night, when I get off.

Will close now, Toots, with all my love to my precious,

Lovingly

Jo.



Miss Frances Levine
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

July Aug. 1st, 1917.

Darling Frances;-

Got home last night pretty early, but, oh, so wet. Had to sleep last night with absolutely nothing on, and talking about sweating, you ought to see me now. It's just streaming down my face and body. Jingo, but it's some hot.

Nobody could sleep last night, & when I got up this morning, everybody got up with me. The streets were crowded with people sleeping on the sidewalks. I guess

did feel sorry for them.

How are you feeling, Toots? Are you suffering from the heat as you did yesterday? I hope not, but am sure you do need me to wipe your face once, eh? Sweetheart mine, I sure do love you.

All the boys are at breakfast while I'm writing. I didn't go in because I had breakfast home.

No more Toots so will close with all my love to my precious little sweetheart.

Yours by,

Jay



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Miss. Frances Levine
70 Somer St.,
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THE ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
HEADQUARTERS:
124 EAST 28th ST., NEW YORK
The Association Follows the Flag on Land and Sea

Public Correspondence Table at Marine Barracks.

Aug 3rd 1917.

Darling Sweetheart Frances:-

How are you? Didn't get any mail from you in a century.

Am pretty busy fixing things up in the room, but wait a minute please ——— I just have received your letter. What do you know about that.

Sorry you all had such bad night's sleep. I didn't sleep much myself.

So Sadie is coming home eh! Gee, I sure do wish I was able to send you away to the country for a few weeks.

You sure do needa rest.

Toots, I jiss put away another $20. I told mom I would pay her the $10 on the 1st of next month, & she said it's alright with her. So now, Toots, I have $70. Lolly, I think, is going to the bank today & get the card; if he don't you will go, won't you Toots? Mom said I should put the money in the bank.

Well Toots, will see you Saturday night.

With all my love & sweetheart,

Lovingly
Joy.



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Public Correspondence Table at Marine Barracks,

Aug. 5th 1917.

Precious Toots:-

When I got in, I found your second letter under my pillow, which was put there by one of the boys.

I had a fairly good sleep last night, so this morning, I did some washing, and ironed one of my new pairs of trousers.

How did you spend the Sunday? Did you go any where? Hope you enjoyed yourself, but intuition tells me you would have had a better time if I was there, eh!

Toots, will close now, with

my love to my sweetest little
pet,

Lovingly
Joy.

I'll get some new stationary
Monday night.



BROOKLYN N.Y.
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NAVY YARD
STATION

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Miss. Frances Leone,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
HEADQUARTERS:
124 EAST 28th ST., NEW YORK
The Association Follows the Flag on Land and Sea

Public Correspondence Table at Marine Barracks,
Aug 4th 1917.

Darling France:-

Got up half an hour late this morning, but got down to the barracks at 5[30] so you see I still was early. Anyhow, I got a good rest.

I believe some-time in the very near future, we will have an official report about the "Reserves" being or not being abolished. Hope it will be soon as I am very anxious to know where things stand.

How are you? O.K. I hope.

Will meet you to-morrow night as Aida's store.

Lovingly Joe.



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NAVY YARD STATION

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Miss. Frances Levine
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

WAR WORK COUNCIL

ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

"WITH THE COLORS"

Aug. 9th, 1917

Darling Frances:-

Got home last night at 9:30. Slept all night twice a top. Sure did feel good.

I found a letter home for me from my English cousin. The next time I see you, I'll show it to you. Will answer it sometime to-day.

Lolly brought home a card from the bank, but I thought it would be best for me to hold up on the deposit because of what has developed. If I get discharged, I won't be able to keep the money there. Mom said that I should

go to Memphis if they abolish this class. I would like to, just to see how things went along with my business. Of course, I'm not sure if dad'll go. We'll see about it.

How be you!

Lovingly

Joz.





Miss. Frances Levine

70 Sumner St.

Brooklyn,

N. Y.

this over the phone. A fellow in class 4c asked to be ~~transfered~~ transfered and transfered to another place, but the top-sergeant said "We can't transfer you because you are in class 4c & you are going to be discharged this week." So you see, the outlook is that there won't be any transfers. I sure do wish I knew something definite about it. The 59th company, regulars & class 2 Reserves, left to-day for Hayti.

Howard, Toots, mine. I sure am sorry you didn't come, as I certainly did want to see you so much. Don't forget to write me, sweetheart, & tell me how much you love me.

With all my love,

Lovingly

Joy.

9 P.M.

Aug. 13th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Waited ~~until~~ until Rob Shapiro left & then thought I would write to-night instead of waiting so long till to-morrow.

I was just going to ask you over the 'phone, how much you loved me, when Mr. Richman came in with a few people, that's why I had to cut the conversation short. Then I thought I would dress & run down to see you, but, as you said you were tired & also that you wouldn't expect me, I fagined you would be asleep, so I changed my mind & wrote this letter instead

I was going to tell you



BROOKLYN, N.Y.
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NAVY YARD STATION

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Miss. Frances Leonie
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N.Y.

WAR WORK COUNCIL

ARMY AND NAVY
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

"WITH THE COLORS"

Aug. 13th 1917

Darling Frances:-

The rumor is still prevailing that 4C will be abolished. A few fellows asked to be transfered to other places, but they were rejected because they were in 4C. It seems to be that they won't even transfer us to other places, after all. Some boys are expecting that we will be discharged this week because the top-sergeant said he won't transfer them because they are in "class 4C which will be abolished this week." I sure do wish I learn something definite about it.

Well, Look, how are you?

I'm pretty good except I got up this morning at 4:00 & didn't feel like washing my clothes this morning. I understand the boys awarded fire call during the night. I sure am glad I slept home.

With all my love,

Lovingly,

Joy

Don't forget to go out to the home to-night.





Miss. Frances Levine
70 Soriers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Aug. 16, 1917.

Darling Frances-

Well, how do you like my new stationary? Isn't it pretty?

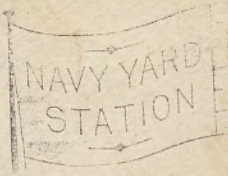
Toots, when I got home, I found Lee there, quite comfatable. Had a talk until about 11 o'clock & then went to bed. He stayed over night & slept with me in Rose's room. He said he is going to stay in New York until Friday night, so I really don't know if that means

he is going to play at the house all
during that time. He asked me for
my desk key just when I didn't
feel like so doing, but mom & pop
were there and they said I should
give it to him so that he will be able
to take care of my desk. I was sore at
first but then what's the difference.

How are you, Toots sweetheart?
What time did you go to bed. I went
to bed at 11:30 & got up at 4:30. Thought
I was late, but wasn't.

Loving by Joe.







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Aug. 18th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Good news, Toots. I got a stenographer's job at the Quartermaster's office. I got it yesterday afternoon, while on guard. So I was relieved & went immediately to the new place. It means that there will be no more guard duty for me, while I have this special duty job, & liberty every night & 48's

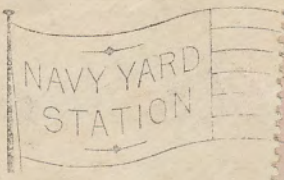
probably on Saturdays & Sundays. I work from 8 to 5 P.M. but still must report as usual. I'll see you to-night & tell you everything about my good fortune. Mom is just tickled over it. I was told to bring down my books & study. I did so. Brought along my stenography book & law book.

How are you, Toots?

Loving ly

Joy







Miss. Frances Levine
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn, N. Y.

c/o Post Quartermasters Office,
Marine Barracks,
Navy Yard, B'klyn, N. Y.
Aug. 20th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Got home last night with a terrible headache. Don't know & how I got it, but it sure is a peach. Still got it this morning.

One of the fellows, a wop, stole a Jewish fellow's sheet & was caught by the Jew, & believe me, there was some fight in the yard. The wop hollers out "You win, you win" to the Jew. All the non-commissioned

officers witnessed it & never
said a would. The 2 were
really threatened with the
big if they didn't fight it
out, so they fought.

How are you, Toots?
Kept pretty busy? Take care of
yourself!

Lovingly
Joe





Miss. Frances Levine
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Aug. 24th, 1917.

Darling Toots:-

Feel very tired this morning somehow. Will go to bed early to-night.

Got notice this morning to hand in my reason for not transferring to Class #2; to hand it in before 12 noon. Lois going to bring it in to him in a few minutes. Really don't know what they're going to do with me. They

are going to make us move from our room. What do you think of that? I am sore at them for that.

Well, how are you? How are you feeling? O. K. I hope.

I have to get to work now, so will close with all my love to my sweetheart,

Loving ly

Joy.





Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N.Y.

Aug. 31st, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

How are you feeling to-day? Much better than last night? Hope so. Do take care of yourself. Did you go to Island to-day? Its mighty cool. Look out, & don't catch cold.

I didn't have a chance to speak to Nonnie, but will tell her to call you up to-night or to-morrow

so that you all can make arrangements
I'll have to start writing to Leve.
It seems that the letter I got yesterday
from the Navy department only applies
in times of peace.

Will have to close, as I
haven't much time

With all my love,

Lovingly,

Joy



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Sept. 4th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Passed through a terrible ~~not~~ night last night. Didn't know & don't know now even, what was the matter. I just tossed around in bed all night & didn't sleep a wink. I thought I would have a good sleep for 4 or 5 hours because of the clock, but couldn't. Every 15 minutes I'd take a look at the clock & for the fun of it,

I purposely waited until the clock struck 4. Lordy, I sure did pass some nights.

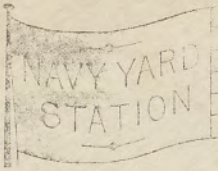
How are you, sweetheart, mine? Did you enjoy yourself to-day? Hope so, Toots. To-morrow you go back to the dispensary.

Will go to bed early to-night & see if I can't make up for lost sleep.

With all my love to my darling little sweetheart, Lovingly,

Joy.







Miss Frances Levine
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N.Y.

Sept. 7th, 1917.

Darling Frances;-

Got your letter you told me you rent. Sure was glad to get some mail. Was pretty busy yesterday, so couldn't answer then. Well, Toot, I felt happy last night. I was really an attorney. I drew up a little contract for the loan of $50.00 for the party who lives above me. Richman got it for me. The amount was small &

all I could charge was $5.00 but they said they couldn't pay it so I got $3.00. Well I think $3.00 for 15 minutes work isn't so bad at that, do you think so? And my spending money for the month was pretty low so this $3 comes in dog-gone handy. Sure do hope I can make an extra few dollars during the month.

How are you, Loots?

Sorry I



Miss Frances Levine
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N.Y.

Sept. 9th, 1917.

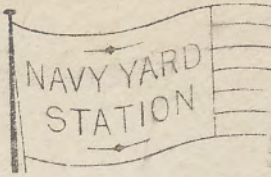
Precious Sweetheart:-

Feel pretty good this morning. Had a lovely dream last night, I suppose that's the reason I slept so soundly. ~~Went~~ It was about you, too. Honey, I sure did want to kiss you this morning when I got up. Say, I went to bed about one o'clock & didn't sleep 15 minutes, when mom awoke me up to give me a sandwich & a glass of tea. She was to "climb" at about midnight & when I got home she hadn't returned. Anyhow, when I got up at 8 1/2

Mr. Griffin wanted on seeing me. (mom said he asked that I be awakened). His Jim went into bankruptcy & asked me for some advice, which I gave him. Then I went back to sleep. At 6 I heard the alarm so politely turned it off & ——— fell asleep again. I got up after grandpa worked so hard to wake me, & 6:40 A.M. then had breakfast & sure thought I was late, but got in 20 minute ahead of time. Some lunch eh? Well, how are you, sweetheart mine? What time did you get up? I am sorry you have to work to-day. No more, until I see you.

Lovingly Jory.







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Sept. 12th, 1917.

My darling Frances.-

I really believe I'm fearfully sick. Don't know & can't understand what's the matter. Perhaps I've got the grip. Hope not. Feel nervous, full of chills, a terrible headache & what not. I do hope it passes over. Don't know how I ever got home last night. I could hardly stand up. While standing on the car, I thought I'd drop, I felt so bad. Will go to the dentist early, get a hair cut, & go to bed about 8:30 tonight

and yet if I can't get rid of it. It may be that I'm only suffering from a heavy cold. My nose does run a good deal & my back pains.

Well, how are you? Were you late to-day? Hope not. How did the girls enjoy enjoy themselves? Hope they had a good time.

Can't write, fact, my hand shivers. Having a hard time to write straight. With all my love,

Lovingly,

Jay



Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

8.15 a.m. Oct. 8, 1917.

Darling Frances,-

How be you? Have a good sleep last night? I did. Got up at 4.30 this morning & got here 3/4 of an hour a head of time. Think I will try & do it every morning until the extreme bad weather gets in.

Hope I can get off to-night, but hardly expect so. Looks

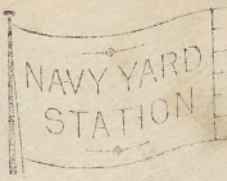
forget to bring your dad & mummy
to the house! Ask Nell to go along, too.

Have to get to work now, Love,
so will close with all my love to
my little-sweetest, —

Ever Lovingly

Joy.







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

8.25 A.M. Oct. 11th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Feeling a little tired. Had only 3½ hours sleep last night but expect I'll go to bed very early tonight, and make up for lost time.

I am afraid I'll be stuck for Sunday. The fellow who was supposed to be on watch will probably have to go to the hospital, so you

see it throws the whole arrangement out. Anyhow, I'm not sure, so I'll wait & see.

How's my little Scots? Did you work hard to-day? How did Swallow act? He wants to be careful, if he doesn't want a pen in with me.

What do you think about the German uprising? Sounds pretty good, eh!

Well, here to thy quickness

Ever lovingly

Joy.

Scots;



Mrs. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Oct. 18th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Uh-huh.

Yep.

Sure.

didn't I guess? Thanks for the compliment. I must be quite off I guessed so soon.

Your new paper is fine.
So that's your 4 page letter!
Much obliged. Hope to see you
to-morrow night.

Everlovingly

W







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Oct. 24th, 1917.

Darling Toots:-

Received your welcome letter last night when you promised me you would go to bed early. Don't dare ever do that again, hear?

I spoke to the sergeant about that supper & he says he certainly will come. I told him that it will be at my mother's-in-law house, as

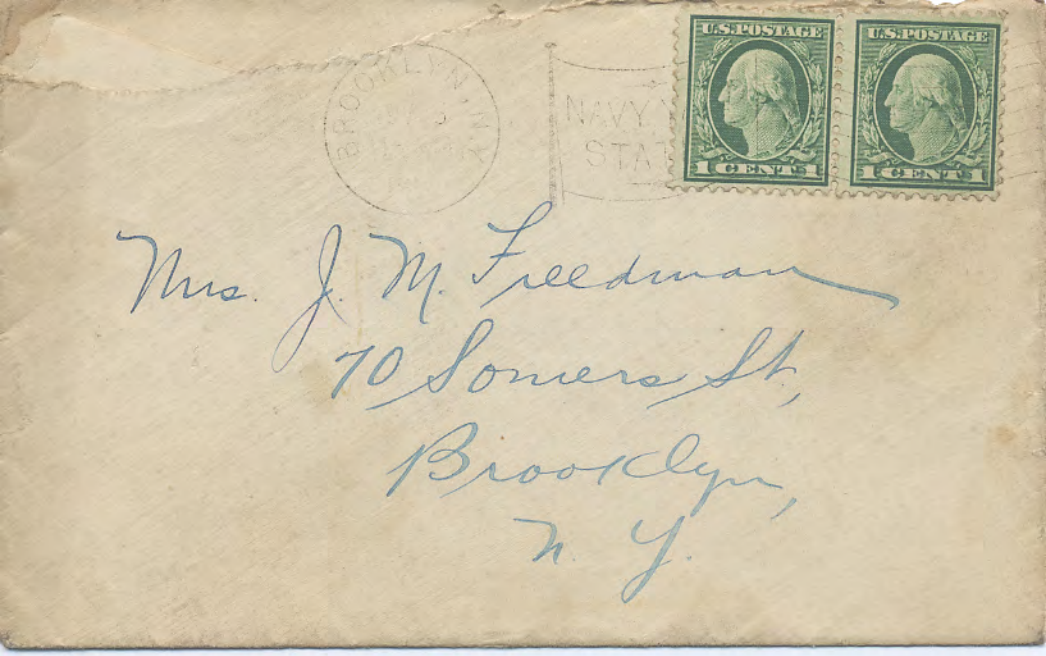
my wife couldn't possibly make such a large muffler, as yet. He said he will be there Tuesday a Wednesday, or whenever you care to have it.

Got up at 5 30 this morning. Have slept soundly. How about you. Rose will be in to see you, to-night.

Got to go to work now, with all my love to my sweet, little Lost,

Lovingly,

Jay.



Mrs. J. M. Freedman
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

November 5th, 1917.

Darling Frances.-

How are you feeling to-day, sweetheart? Did you have a good sleep last night? Hope so. Slept pretty well myself last night. Did you have a doctor look at your gums? Did you have an X-ray taken of it? I hope you don't bother about it. Any how, I'll call you up to-night. "Ah wants to find out about mah lovin honey". Plenty is

going to mail this, so how to address you as I don't. Wouldn't you like to have to keep it up?

Am going to be on watch to-morrow night & think I'll have to stay for all night. I first thought I could get out at about 9 30, but the fellow said he won't come in until the next morning.

Now I have to close now, all my love to my sweetheart,

Lovingly,

Jay.



Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
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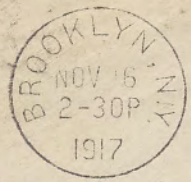
November 12th, 1917.

My sweetest little pet:-

How be your foot? Did you have a good night's rest? I had a funny thing happen to me this morning. At 5 o'clock the alarm went off, & half asleep, I caught it & shoved it under my pillow. Some time after I was awakened by the kitchen clock. I jumped up & looked for my alarm clock & couldn't find it. I forgot what I did with it, until I looked under my

pillow & there she was peacefully lying
asleep. Feel a little tired this morning
though, but will go to sleep early tonight
but I must end up my sweet little
wifie tonight before I do so. After I
finish this letter, I'll write one to
Washington for that information for
Mrs Goldberg.

With all my love to
my darling wifie, Lovingly
Joy.





Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Nov. 16th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Found a surprise for me last night. One of the graduates of college came up last night to see me. He is in the War Dept, in New York. I certainly was glad to hear he's in town. I wrote him to come & see me Sunday morning.

How are you feeling, Toots, mine? I got up with kind of a head-

ache, but its gone now. Have been
thinking of my sweetheart wifie all
day. Were you thinking of me? Hope
so. Have a good time at the show,
Toots.

With all my love to my
sweet little wifie,

Lovingly
Your Hubby.

I voted this morning & sent it off.



Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Nov. 21st, 1917.

Darling Sadie mine:-

Went to bed last night with a headache, though not as bad as when I was over to your home. I must have slept there quite some, because when I went home to sleep, I couldn't sleep very much. This morning my head still pained. I'm beginning to think it must be some sort of strain in my eyes. Sure do hope it passes away. I forgot to tell you last night that I heard from Washington. They say she doesn't

need the information as she came here prior to 1906. I'm not sure of my grounds until I think over it, but I don't think she needs any papers, because she came here before June, 1906. I'll tell you all when I see you, or call you up to-night.

How are you feeling, precious? Did I spoil your evening last night? Sorry I did, sweetheart, but Hume was a sick man.

Will call you up to-night, darling.

Always love to my sweet, precious wifie,

Lovingly
Hubby





Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Nov. 27th, 1917

Hello! Princess:-

Just got your letter. Was thinking of you sending me a letter, when in to breaks the mail orderly & hands me something I was sure yearning for.

Glad you're not tired. Hope you have rested up. Did. I certainly was tired yesterday, so, night after I came from the barber, I called you up, but Nellie told me you had just left for the library, but will call you up again to-night, before 7 30.

Lenty did receive his orders, and is leaving to-day. He was down the house last night. You ought to see what a beautiful bouquet of roses he bought for mom. As soon as he leaves, I reckon Rose will be able to come down & see you.

So the folks didn't reach home until early in the "mo'ning"? Well I'm glad I didn't, and you see, it wasn't a bad

idea to have left when we did. I wouldn't mind going to another wedding, myself. I was talking to mom last night about one wedding, & will tell you tonight over the phone. What did Sadie have to say against the affair?

Well Lucy just came over to see & bade good-by. He is leaving at 11 o'clock.

Take care of yourself, darling; must close as I'm busy.

All my love to my sweet little wifie,

Lovingly

Jay.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St;
Brooklyn,
N.Y.

Dec. 3rd, 1917.

Darling Toots:

When I came in this morning, I found your letter on my desk. Who gave you the flower, eh? You didn't tell me.

How did you sleep last night? Have a good rest? I had only about 4 hours sleep. Went to bed at 12. Was not talking to my father & mother. What did you do, after I left Toots? Don't forget to take your cough mixture. Haven't much time to write, Toots, the boss-man just came in & after

I'll be called in a few minutes, so will close, with all my love to my little Loot,

Lovingly

Joy.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Dec. 10th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

At last have a little time to myself, so I can write. I got up this morning tired, unrefreshed and ael to-day tuney. When I went down to the barracks, I thought sure I'd be late because it was snowing & I was afraid the car would be stuck. Sure was glad that nothing happened & got down as usual, 3/4 of an hour earlier than 7 o'clock. My throat still pains. I wish you would give me some of that ~~cough~~ mixture to gargle when I

come down tonight. Last night my feet bled so that I thought I must have cut myself somehow but it seems that it came from the frost. I think it was because my feet pained me so, that I couldn't sleep, but they feel good this morning as I have my army shoes on. While standing for roll-call this morning, I thought my feet would ~~bad~~ bleed again because they were cold, but they didn't. How are you, precious mine? Were you cold this morning? I do wish you would dress warmly and take care of yourself. Will see you to-night. All my love to my little sweet wife

Lovingly
Sultzy.



Mrs. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

1245

Dec. 19th, 1917.

Darling Frances:-

Hope you will forgive me for writing so late in the day & such a short note, too, but have been taking dictation since 9 o'c this morning, as soon as I came in, the Capt came right after me. So you can see how busy I am.

Am feeling much better to-day, Toots, only my back hurts kind of. Have a little headache, but it will pass.

Will have to close now, as I'm very busy.

Loving Hubby.





Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Dec. 28th, 1917.

Darling Wife:-

Just received your precious letter & was so sorry to hear that you were so tired. Please don't work any harder than is necessary, & if you feel sleepy, ask Mr. Swallow to have you off for an hour or so & go to Osborne Hall & take a nap. If he refuses, let go over to him & tell him something.

I'm sorry I couldn't write before, but I've been very busy. That Captain of mine calls me in for a letter & it takes so long, that I'm always in fear I've forgotten what I wrote. Then with payrolls & purchase orders, I was pretty busy. I'm going to see if I can't take it easy to-day, as I want to read some law.

Rose told me last night, after I had called you up, that my friend Rob Shapiro saw her at the store & asked her to go out to lunch with him, so I suppose she

wiel go to-day. What do you think about that, Eh? I think he's kind of slow. He once asked her to go out with him & she refused. I ~~always~~ always did like him. He's a good sort.

How is my precious little Toots! Tried? Hope not. I'm just wild to see you to-night I believe me, Toots, I'm was lonesome for you.

My cold is a little better to-day. Hope I'm not bothered with it any more. Try & come to-night.

All my love to my sweet little wifie,

Ever lovingly

Hubby.

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Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

January 5th, 1918.

Darling Wifie:-

How do you feel this morning? How did you sleep? Were you nice & comfortable? It wasn't so very warm, but I should think it was warmer than at your home. Did you bathe last night or early this morning? Hope you did as you wanted to take one & the water was nice & warm. Listen, Toots, I'm on watch to-night, so won't be home, but I wish you would come over the house & sleep there again, because it too cold for you in your own room. Can't you do that? I wish you would.

Were you busy down the place to-day? Was you down there?

I wanted to go in the room this morning & kiss you before I left ~~this~~, but thought I would wake

you up ~~this~~ which I didn't
want to do as probably you were
sweetly slumbering & dreaming
pleasantly of me. Were you? I
was dreaming of you all night and
one didn't want to wake up.

Must get to work now so
will close with my love to my
sweet little Toots,

Yours fondly
Tubby.



Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

January 7th, 1918.

Darling Toots:-

How's my little sweetie today? How did you get down to the place? Have a hard time getting there? Let me tell you what I did. After I left your home I started walking towards the car. Well, look, it took me about 20 minute to walk to the car, & believe me, I thought sure, I'd spanned my back. At last I got a car, & believe, I was simply scared to death. I thought that the car would catch fire. There was a runaway car in the bargain. I got home after 10 o'clock & thought it would be best for me to dress & go down to the barracks, which I did. I got there 2:15 this morning, made my bunk & jumped in. At about 3 o'clock I was fast asleep & then, before I knew it, there

how, I'm going to figure up some new law by that time I hope, free of Dwight have better luck.

Will have to go to work now, so will close with my love to my own little sweetie-eetie,

Loving by you boy

Jay.

went reveille so you can just imagine how much sleep I had. It was a good thing I stayed late at your house, so that it enabled me to play safe for this morning, but I am not so very anxious for you. I was hoping you wouldn't go down to the dispensary to-day

When I got into the office this morning, I found a letter from the Governor of Tennessee on my desk in which he states that the legislature doesn't meet until the first Monday in January, 1919, at which time he will take care of my bill that I submitted ~~don't that tough luck~~. His term of office, I believe, terminates some time this year, so you can see where I how I am situated. Any-







Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

January 9th, 1918.

Good morning, precious wifie:-

How are you feeling this morning? much better than last night? Hope so. I certainly was worried about you. Somehow, I felt something was wrong, and you wouldn't tell me. Was there anything wrong with my darling foot? I expect you'll tell me when I call on you to-night or if I phone.

Somehow or other, I couldn't get off to sleep. Tossed around in bed until I went off to sleep. I just can't tell you what was the matter and when I got up this morning, I was so unrefreshed, I thought I didn't sleep any at all. When I got into the office, the first thing I did was to get note paper & write to you, so you see, how nervous I am over you. Probably you were hurt in the rush in the trains yesterday.

were you? Do take care of yourself and please don't use the new subway. I'll tell you what. I'll pay the extra fare for you, see, & then it will only cost you 10¢ a day & you will use the 20¢ way. Is it agreeable?

Well, sweetie, how's your "maw" & how's your "paw" & how are ——— excuse me, I meant to ask for your mammie. How is she feeling? Much better than yesterday? Hope so. How are things home by now. Everything O. K.?

Have to stop now as the "war lord" has arrived, so will close with all my love to my sweetest little pet, Dorfie,

Loving ly & worried,

Hubby.





Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Jan. 13th, 1918.

Darling Wife!

How "is" you this morning? How's your pretty suit? Were you able to sleep over it? It certainly is a stunning suit. How I did wish we could have gone out to-day, you wearing that pretty dress & coat. I dreamt all night about you, & when I got up, I expected to see you, making my breakfast, then I found I was still at 570 Ralph Ave & not in Memphis. Rose was funny, especially when I felt blue when the dream was n't true.

When I got home last night, Rose was up, writing to Kentz & after teasing her a little, only, I went to bed. I sure love to tease her along.

Again, about the suit. Isn't so funny
on it. I just must talk about it.
What does your mammy say? Does
she like it. What did Nellie have
to say. I bet she felt blue. Can't blame
her, you know, when the "bestest" little
wifie in the world has the "bestest"
suit in the world.

Gee, Toots mine, I wish I
were with you, to-day.

Well, sweetie, ietie, will
close now, with all my love to my
darling precious little wifie,

Ever loving,

Hubby.







Mrs. Francis Levine,
40 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Jan. 15th, 1918.

Good morning, darling Wifie:-

How are you? How do you feel precious? O. K. I hope. Did you go to bed to early, last night? I really mean, did you go right to bed after I left? I hope you did.

I went to bed about 12.30, & got up at 5 this morning, but I am going to bed very early to-night so as to make up for any loss of sleep, & then I am going to ——— what? Why, dream of the best little wifie in the world.

How did my boot get down to the dispensary in this weather? Please, please, do take care of yourself & please don't run, and don't lift anything. Take things easy. Heaven bless me, sweet one.

I'd like to bet a dollar to a doughnut, you didn't go to bed last night until you helped

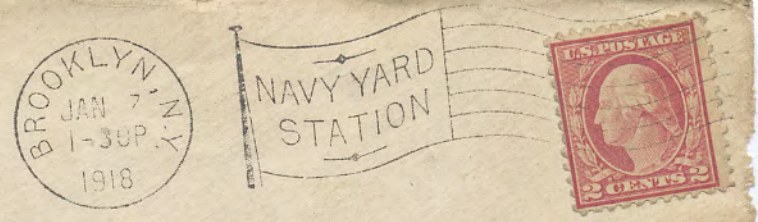
Nellie finish those waists. Am I right in my conclusion?

Well Sooks, I'll have to quit now, as I must go to work, so will close with a hug, squeez + millions of kisses,

Ever lovingly,

Hubby.

Expect a letter from my sweet wife.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

January 17th, 1918.

Good Morning, Wifie:-

How are you? How's my little Foot? Somehow, I can't help wondering how you're feeling this morning. I dreamt all night about you, sweetie, and I can assure, I feel like seeing you to-night. If it wasn't for Rosenstein coming to see me, I'd leave. I hope you have written me how you feel, as I am very anxious to know.

Rose was up when I got home last night. I read Leve's letter, & believe me, it sure was a blue one. She merely asked Rose why she doesn't write; then Lenty didn't write either, so you can just imagine the jam I had. I started singing that song "Good by, man", & so on & believe me,

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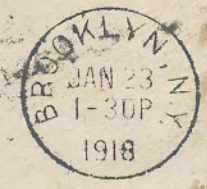
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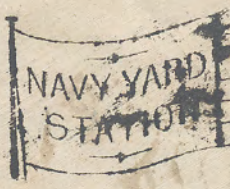
Mom told me that my father wasn't feeling well. I really don't know why to do with him. I sure do hope he will take care of himself.

Well, Sweets, will close now with any love to my only little, bestest sweetheart

Even lovingly,

Hubby.







Miss. Frances Levine,
40 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

January 23rd, 1918.

Darling Wifie:-

Got down to the barracks this morning dead tired. I got home last night after 12 & before I got to bed, it was 12:30, as you see, I didn't have much sleep, as I got up 4:30 this morning. When I got to the barracks, it was only 6 o'clock, so I laid down & fell asleep until 5 minutes to 7. Anyway, I'll go to bed very early tonight.

How are you, Looty? How are you feeling to-day? When did you go to bed last night? Did you have a good rest? Hope so. Did you have a hard day down at the dispensary? Don't work too hard, dearie, y'hear?

The Captain just came in, so will have to go to work pretty soon, but will continue for a little while.

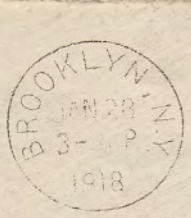
I am so anxious to hear what

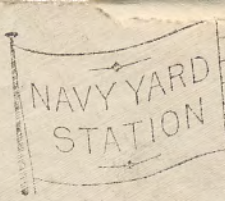
Sadie has to say for herself over her conduct towards Lg. last night. Now, frankly speaking, weren't you angry over what she did? Believe me, she's lucky it's Lg. She's getting away with murder.

How's George's tooth? Did you have much trouble with him last night? Hope not.

Will have to close now, sweetheart wife mine, with all my love to you.

Loving yours
Hubby.







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Jan. 28th, 1918.

Good morning, darling mine:-

Thanks for your letter. Why didn't you tell me you wrote one yesterday morning? You little rogue! I'm glad to get, I can tell you.

Did you write to Morris Weinstein? What did you say? I'll bet you stuck up for him, didn't you? That certainly was some letter, "Sealed With A Kiss". Thought of that all night, + found out that was what the initials stood for.

Well, what do you think of the weather to-day, eh? Some snow. Well, I do hope the winter is over. And if this war was only over!!!

socialism. As he is a confirmed anti-socialist, you can just imagine what he carried on. He is going to write another article in the tribune referring to her, & see if he can't get another letter from her & make an appointment. If he does meet her, he sure is going to tell her something.

Will have to close now, sweetness, so bye-bye till to-morrow, with all my love to my sweet little wifie,

Lovingly yours
Shelby.

Dorie did have to smile over that part of your letter revising our essential argument as to who belongs to the better profession. I'll wager when you got up yester-morn you wished you were a lawyer, didn't you? That's the life, eh? Never mind, sweetheart dear, as soon as this war's over & I get out, you won't have to leave home on Sundays. You will be able to take it nice & easy.

I told you about the article Walter Hart wrote in the "Tribune", didn't I? Well to-day he got an anonymous letter, from a female, who wanted to meet him at Prospect Park yesterday, at 3 P.M., but only getting the letter this morning, he was a day late. You ought to read what she wrote to him about





Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
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N. Y.

Jan. 30th, 1918.

Hello, wifey:-

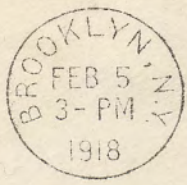
How'do! Just got your letter, Toots, & sure was glad to get it. Sorry you got down late to the dispensary yesterday. Did you get down early enough today. What time did you go to bed last night? Hope sooner than you usually do after I leave.

Dreaming of you all night last night. Did you dream of me? Toots, I sure am proud of you, sweetie. I can assure you, we'll both be able to take care of ourselves in any company that we may be in, eh, honey?

There is nothing more that I can write now as I have'nt the time, inasmuch as the captain just came, & the sergeants are raising an awful noise,

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so will close with all my love to my
own sweetheart, little wifie,

Ever lovingly yours
Hubby





Miss Frances Levine,
78 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

February 5th, 1918.

Good morning, Wifie, darling:- How did you get down to the drafts today? Were you cold? What do you know of this weather, eh?

When I went home last night it was 2 above zero. At ten o'clock it 1 below. Sure was some cold, last night.

And what time did my Boots go to bed last night? Hope you went immediately after my departure.

When I got home, Mom & Rose were still up. Talking about our coming marriage. I can assure you, that's the best talk we can have. I certainly like to talk to mom about our

getting married. How do you feel that way when you speak to your mom about it?

Well sweetheart I'll have to quit as I'm pretty busy, so will close with all my love to my darling little wifie.

Loving you hubby,

Joy

Am going to write to Coleman for my Xmas. Darling, I forgot to tell you. When I got home, I looked for my tobacco pouch & couldn't find it. Did I leave it at your home? If so, hold it for me. I don't want to lose my darling wifie's present.



Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Feb. 7th, 1918.

My darling Toots:-

How are you feeling this morning? Any better? Sore your lil' chest? Did you go to bed right after I left?

Well did Sadie get word as to Ly? What does she think about that card? I suppose she's pretty well worried over it. Can't blame her, as Hart just told me that he'll probably be landed in the first bunch. They are trying to take Hart's brother-in-law, who is married and causing him so much trouble, he threatens suit. Sure do hope they leave him alone as he has children. They contend that, because he owns a business valued at $15,000, he can get another man to run it for

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him, who will be able to give the wife
an income equal to what she is
getting now. Of course, that is
absurd, but it just goes to show
you, what they are trying to do.

As for myself, I was pretty
much worried over your health,
and to the bargain Pop came home
at 12:30. What do you think of
that, eh.

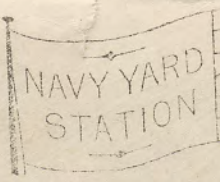
Well sweetie mine,
take care of yourself, & be careful
of your health.

With all my love to my
sweet little wife,

Loving by your hubby

Jay.







Miss Frances Levine,
70 Somers St,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Feb. 12th, 1918.

Hello, Toots:- How's my precious? Feeling much better than you did last night. Hope so.

Well honey, I made $2.50 last night. I thought it was the woman with milk, but the people that came last night were business men who wanted me to fill out some blanks for them on the American Bonding Co. It was quite easy, but anyway, I sure didn't feel like leaving you last night. I was worried about you. Felt you were ill, instead of being merely tired. Hope you are feeling much better.

I wrote to Neve to-day. Asked him to please send me the books he promised he would slip me.

Hope he does it.

Will close now, darling mine, with all my love to my sweet little wifey. Ever lovingly yours

Hubby.

Will coel you up to-night.







Miss Frances Levine, Pharmacist,
Out-Patient Department,
Bellevue Hospital,
26th St. & 1st Ave.,
New York City,
N. Y.

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Marine Barracks, Navy Yard,
Brooklyn, N. Y.
May 20th, 1918.

Darling Frances:-

Just spoke to the sergeant about the shore, & he says it will be O.K. Be prepared to-morrow night (Tues.) at 7 P.M. & I'll meet you. Wait for me in Osborn Hall.

If you get this to-night or early to-morrow morning, call me up, Main 9000, extension 160. Will you, sure?

Bye-bye, with all my love,

Jer







Miss. Frances Levine,
70 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

4:25 A.M., May 23rd, 1918.

Darling Toots:-

I hope you will forgive me for not calling you up last night, but the reason I know that I was too tired to keep my eyes open & my head ached terribly. I thought the best thing for me to do was to take a physic, which I did, & then go to sleep.

Toots, you must come to-morrow (Friday) night, even if you have to leave go of your dress. Mom is making a birthday party for Hon, so you see it is imperative that you come. I would have come down to-night, only I'm on watch, as I predicted.

How are you, darling? Did you sleep well at the Hospital? Hope you did. The chap that arranged

it for us says he is going to try
& arrange it so that we can get Raymond
Hitchcock who will be at the Globe
theatre as soon as Fred Stone moves.

Don't forget, Tootsie wife mine,
Friday night.

With all my love,

Joe.





Miss Frances Levine, Ph. G.,
Out Patient Dept.,
Bellevue Hospital,
26th St. & 1st Ave.,
New York City,
N. Y.

June 17th, 1918.

Darling Toots:-

Will meet you at 4-15 P.M., tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon in front of the building with the big steps. Forgot to remind you of it last night. Probably Rose will call you up to-night.

How are you feeling? O. K., I hope. Can't write much so will close,

With all my love,

Lovingly,

J.Oz.



Mrs. Joseph M. Freedman,
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

10:45 A.M, July 25, 1918.

Darling Wifie:-

Sorry I couldn't go to N. Y. to-day, so that I could see you. I won't be home to-night as I find it quite impossible to get off. I have a few minute to spare, so am taking advantage of it & writing.

How is my sweetheart Wifie? What time did you get up? Have a good breakfast? Hope you enjoyed the cake I bought this morning.

Did Sadye hear from Dj? I wonder how he's getting on & how he finds it.

Will meet you at my mother's house to-morrow (Friday) night. Come as early as you can.

Will all my love to my
my darling little Wifie,

Lovingly
Hubby.



Mrs. J. M. Freedman
70 Somers St.,
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

Aug. 6, 1918.
10 A.M.

Darling Toots:-

Just received your letter & certainly was perturbed. Why didn't you tell me last night that you had been ill all day? If you would have told me, I can assure you, you wouldn't have done any rioting last night.

How are you feeling to-day? O. K. I hope. Did you go to the beach? How did you enjoy yourself? Take good care of yourself & don't work too hard.

I won't be home until Thursday night, as I am in Reserve Co. to-night & to-morrow will be on my regular watch.

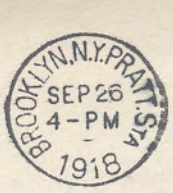
It sure is hot. Feel terribly uncomfortable, so you know how heavy my flannel shirt is. I am going to take a nice cool bath

to-night, after I clean my rifle.
That thing sure is a dirty instrument.
Haven't cleaned it since I've got it.

Will have to close now, precious,
as the "war boss" is in, so with my
love to my sweet little wife,

Lovingly

Joy





Mrs. Joseph M. Freedman
40 Somers St.
Brooklyn,
N. Y.

September 26th, 1918.

Darling Wifie:-

Am very sorry I was so abrupt over the telephone, but the Capt. wanted me to phone the Hospital & as I picked up the receiver, you were on the wire. I couldn't do anything but act as I did. I hope you won't feel offended because the Capt. was standing right at my side so couldn't speak.

I'm on my way to the Hospital now, so won't be able to write much.

How's my precious? Take good care of yourself & don't forget the good-night kiss.

Lovingly,

Joe

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On the Road nearing Roanoke, Va.
January 9, 1918.

Darling Fan:-

So far the trip is very pleasant, but feel kind of lonesome. Slept fairly comfy, but somehow, found it hard to fall asleep, probably because I was worried. The man sleeping above me will mail this at Roanoke, Va, his stop. Found him very pleasant company. He was across & has related all his experiences to me.

The train is kind of crowded. The people that we met at the station are making fools of themselves, but I reckon they mean nothing by it. Talking their heads off with nothing at all.

How are you feeling, Toots? Hope mondear. Can't write much as the train is rocking too much.

With love,

Lovingly,

Joy.

Dear Mondear:-

Feel O.K. so far? ~~How~~ How are you feeling. Love.

Joy.

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January 10, 1919.

My darling Jan:-

After a pleasant, but lonesome trip, arrived in Memphis, on time and in fine condition. Believe me, to be here, you wouldn't think that its winter. Hardly anyone is wearing an overcoat and the sun shines as if it were mid-summer.

Memphis hasn't changed an iota. The city is as pretty as ever and to walk her paved walks acted indeed as a tonic to my health.

As soon as I landed, I hunted a room and got one in the same house before, but as I cannot, or rather don't care to spend $12.00 a month, I don't intend to stay here after this week. Now, here comes a proposition. Dr. Lazaar wants me to open an office next to him; that would mean the John's old office. As an inducement, he offers me the use of both his telephones. I am only to have my name put in the directories as being a pub-subscriber. I thought I would speak to my uncle about it and he said the first thing for me to do is to move into his home, which I will do, for if I save the home rent, I will be able easily to bear it for the office as the rent for the office next to Lazaar is $20 a month. Then he said, (my uncle) that there is a woman lawyer here who is looking for a partner and he wants me to go in with her. She has been practicing for some time and has quite an established practice. If he finds that she doesn't want a partner after all, he says I should then open up an office for myself.

Of course I don't care to live with my uncle, but I feel, I will be able to save money and will materially assist me in starting. My uncle certainly is a changed man. He certainly was cordial to me and promised me all the assistance in the world.

I saw Dr. Lazaar at his office and he also was

his druggist friend promised to help me. As a matter of fact this druggist has given me a case already. If I collect, I will make a few dollars on it. I went up to Otis's office but he was out. I found a few things belonging to me and took it. I will visit the rest of my friends to-morrow Sunday.

Toots, I sure am lonesome for you. Lordy wish you were here. After a spell of happy life, I don't think I will get used to this lonely life any more. Believe me, I certainly am going to try my hardest to get you here pretty, pretty soon. My uncle is dying to see you and wounded. I told him all the trouble & once more he assured me of his help.

Now darling, tell me, how are you feeling? How is your foot? Please, please, precious, take care of yourself and when you go to bed, remember me and enjoy pleasant dreams.

I am tired, sweetheart, and will go to bed right after I write to Wounded. How is she feeling? Tell her to take care of herself. Tell her all I told you, as I am too tired to write much.

With all my love to you my precious jewel and with a good night kiss with pleasant dreams,

As ever lovingly yours,

Joe.

Address my mail to my uncle c/o Morris Frankenstein,
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January 11, 1919.

My darling Toots:-

Had a very trying day, endeavoring to get located, but still have high hopes. I dark Colin to-day and got $12.50 from him which I immediately put in the bank. He was very nice, indeed, to me and asked me what I intended doing. I told him I wanted to go out for myself or get into connection with some one. He then informed me that he would try and get me into a certain office, but, of course, I took it on it face value, as I'm sure he will do nothing of the sort. Anyhow, I thanked him and told him how much I appreciated it. I then saw my friend Lowell Taylor and he is trying to get me into an office where I would take over the insurance business and the privilege of my own practice. That would mean my telephone service I rent, beside the use of the stenographer. I will hear further on that ~~to~~ probably Monday and I will let you know results.

As it is, I am getting around, seeing people, & will probably go up to Dr. Gold to-morrow, but I can hardly see how I can. Dr. Lazarus recommended me to a man whom I am to see to-morrow afternoon. I am in for a case or two, beside getting his naturalization papers for him. So far, prospects look bright. I am going to belong to a few societies to try and get some sort of recognition

Believe me Toots, my uncle sure is different from what he was. I suppose he begins to or rather realizes the futility of acting as he did. He is going to introduce me to the biggest men in Memphis, as most of them belong to his lodge. If I sure will be great if I can get in with them. It means quite a lot to me, only I am anxious. I simply can't settle my nerves. How I do wish I was settled already. I couldn't very well go in with that woman attorney as I

couldn't induce myself to go in with the "female of the species" maybe I'll do better somewhere else. Anyway, dearest, rest assured that I'm trying my best as I can do what you write me. Toots, do you know, I simply can't be without you? I'm yearning for you. Just to kiss you, to hug you, take around and make you comfortable. Believe me, sweetheart, I'm giving up enough to get a start and ~~I'm~~ hope it won't be long before you are here.

How are you feeling, dearest? How's your foot? Are you working hard? Please take care of yourself. Are you having any trouble at the place? Oh how I wish I had a home for you already. Don't worry, sweetheart wifie mine, it will come. Be courageous and brave in the way you always were and I'm sure you will be in Memphis in the very near future.

How is mom dear feeling? I can't forget how she looked when she escorted me to the train, and it sure does tug at my heart. I would give my life to make you all happy and contented.

Toots don't keep me waiting long for mail from you. As it is, I can hardly wait for the first letter, and write me everything, you hear? I want to know how things are.

With all my love to you, darling, and with a good night kiss and pleasant dreams, as ever

Lovingly your hubby,

Jon.





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January 13, 1919.

My darling little Toots:

To-day was my "red letter" day, as I received your 3 letters dated 9th, 10th & 11th! Believe me, sweetheart, your letters were a tonic to my feelings. Had I been one that gives vent to emotion by tears, I am sure I would cry my eyes out for the lonesomeness, but when I had your letters my mind cleared and felt like a new man. Keep it darling, write to me every day as that really is more welcome than anything I can get.

I showed your picture to my uncle and all my friends. I would tell you what they said, only I'm keeping it for a "swap."

I didn't think my picture would come out so well, it sure does look good. Mr. Solomon is going to show it to the morning newspaper, and in about 2 or 3 weeks, I'll probably send you a newspaper clipping containing my photo.

Well Toots, Taylor told me to-day that I will have to wait until Wednesday the 15th before I can find out anything about the proposition. I am

town & he says the bill (3) Just last night he said I should have brought you with me. I told him before you came you will want to get clothes. He said, so far as clothes is concerned, you needn't worry as he will make your clothes. I'm telling you, Toots, he is so different, I can hardly believe it. My room is nice and clean, clean sheets & everything fixed up so nicely that I feel real at home. Sam hung my trunk on the wardrobe. Nothing was broken. The knees came in good condition, the glass in it. To-morrow Sam going to bring my suits down & my uncle will have them pressed so that will save me a few cents. I am taking good care of myself, keeping nice & clean. I sure do wish you could see me now.

I certainly was glad to read what Polly said. I sure do hope he means it. If he will only stick, I am sure everything will come out O.K. I will write to your father to-day as I really sorry not to be able to (2) going to wait for an [illegible] before I go out for myself as I was told I'd probably get in with some lawyer.

I went up to see the dean of the Law School and you ought to see his face. Surprised! Lord, I never thought he thought so much of me. He offered me the use of his office until I get settled down. I accepted it and will use it when the occasion arises.

To-day I made $3.00, drawing up a bill of sale for a man Dr. Lazar recommended me to. He certainly is trying his best to put business my way. If Polly was settled, I would be in fine shape. The dean told me that the law profession while I was away was dead but now it is picking up and he wants me to be ready when the business comes in a rush.

I will attend to my insurance in a few days, probably about the 15th.

It all right, Toots, I'd enough money. I'm living my uncle, and saving rent money. At dinner, we eat in

him good-by before I left.

Sunday I am going to have dinner with Dr. & Mrs. Logan at their home. Then I will call upon Dr. & Mrs. Gould. I didn't care to go visiting until I had my clothes pressed up. I sure do wish you were here to go along with me.

Now, Toots, as to yourself. See that you can get all that is coming to you at the dispensary. Don't let them fool around too much. Assert yourself, that's the only way. I am trying my best to make a home for you here, and believe me, I'll try and have you here in a few months.

How are you feeling? How's your foot? Please take care of yourself, eh, Toots?

And how's mondean feeling? Is she taking care of herself. Go and see her as often as you can.

Tell Mary I will write to her when I get settled down a bit. Remember me to her and Wendel and my dear little niece & nephew.

With all the love I possess to my sweet little wife,

Lovingly

Jay





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Darling Toots mine:

It raining out and I are quite in the dumps. I have a great many opportunities for connections with lawyers, but they haven't as yet materialized. If nothing comes of them I'll probably go out for mileage next week. The money I collected from Colbert & Solomon I'm living on now. I am eating out in town but Uncle Louis pays for me, so you see only laundry & other incidentals are my expense. I paid the school $2.50 I owed them & $1.90/100 I owed for stationery. I still have $1.25 to pay on the last empty pages I used in my grip. I'll pay that later on. This week, I'll pay attend to my insurance.

I had an awful headache last night. I believe the change in the climate & food effected me. I took cascara pills & rubbed my forehead with the menthol salve. Am much better to-day except for the lonesomeness. I effect some cases this week and that seems to make me feel good.

How are you Toots darling?

How's your foot? I'm thinking of you every minute, day & night. I had a pleasant dream about you last night. Before I had gone to bed, my uncle & aunt spoke about you & I showed my aunt your picture. She insist that she saw you at Coney Island. Do you recollect?

Just returned from lunch. Had a fairly good meal. Nothing like home cooking.

Tootsie, I sure do wish you were with me. I feel terribly lonesome and would give a fortune only to see you. I didn't receive any mail to-day, but I believe I'll get one to-morrow.

Take care of yourself, darling, don't work too hard and enjoy yourself as much as possible.

With all my love to my darling precious little wifee, and with a million hugs & kisses,

Lovingly yours
Hubby

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My sweetheart Wifie:-

Just received your letter of the 12, the one you wrote on Sunday at the Hospital. I can't understand about the telegram as I sent it Friday night. I am going to investigate alright and see how for they can pull such tricks. Now don't worry Lost, I'll write everyday as heretofore. I am beginning to believe the mail takes 4 days instead of 3 days as it used to. It is 12 P.M. and so far haven't received your Monday's letter. I suppose it will come to-morrow.

I'll have to give Rose a calling down for not letting you put your feet on her back. Well, well, I'm surprised at her. You bet, Lost, I'll see to it that you will be here in the near future only, till then, don't worry about me. I'm feeling fine, only anxious as I haven't located yet. I'm using a fitting room in my uncle's place as a temporary office. I expect to hear from Lowell Taylor this afternoon. If I can't make connections this week, I'm going out for myself.

The negress working here told me she want a divorce from her husband and wants me to talk it over with her Friday. That won't be so bad, will it? I told her because she is working here, I won't charge her more than $25.00. With Lazar, his druggist and my uncle trying for me, I believe I'll make good. I belong to one lodge and am going into another probably next Sunday. A very good friend of my uncle's says he wants me to belong to the Masons and belong to his lodge. He was politely told I'm going to get my office first, then I'll go in.

I am sorry I didn't see the Taylors before I left, but maybe, someday, I'll see them. Have you heard from Ada? I wrote your father a letter and one to Ray.

Don't worry, darling mine, everybody love you, and you know how anxious I am to have you here with me. I dream of you, talk of you and honestly, I pray to have you. I never was so lonesome in all my life. You can depend upon it, I'm trying my best so I can soon send for my sweetheart wifie.

I'll have to close now, Lost, as I must go somewhere and see what I can do, so with all my love, kisses, and hugs to the

dearest wife in all the world,

Ever lovingly yours

Hubby.

I haven't as yet received any mail from home

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January 16, 1919.

My darling wifie:

Just received your precious letter of the 13th and believe me darling, I didn't know what to do. I certainly did send a night letter and paid 55 cents. I am going to bring suit against the telegraph company if they don't give me a satisfactory explanation. Another thing, I can't understand why you only got one letter when I wrote Saturday and you should have gotten Monday, the same time as you got the other one. It's been addressing all your letters to your dispensary, so you should have not been delayed in getting my mail. Don't worry, sweetheart mine, I am writing everyday, and tell Bowdoin I've been a wife continue writing to her everyday, too. Perhaps by now, you are receiving the mail regularly. I posted more than one letter to-day, but probably its delayed.

Again precious mine, don't worry. I feel O.K. Am taking care of myself. Will have Lazaar give me a thorough examination and send you the report.

Yes, darling I've accepted my uncle's hospitality. Of course, I won't eat at my uncle's house, as that method still exists. You know what I mean. I am only living there. The room is nice & clean. Had a coal fire every night. Sleep with the window open, too. As a matter of fact, everything is much nicer than if I lived in another boarding house. You all but it doesn't make me feel so lonesome.

To-day I landed the 3 cases. I must appear before the Grand Jury to-morrow morning in one of them. Your lonesome hubby is going to put someone in jail. I think that by Monday I'll open for myself. The room next to Lazaar has been taken, but there is a room in the back, $15.00 per month, that I believe I'll take. Then I'll be able to accept Lazaar's offer to use his telephone. He is just wild to have me be with him. I know, look, as you must know, its going to be a hard struggle, but, please God, it may mean my making, and after a while, you'll be with me. Thank you, darling, for your confidence & willingness to assist me financially as much as you can, but I don't think I'll do that all the same, it makes me supremely happy to feel I've such a splendid wife. No wonder, they all want to see you. Keep on, sweetheart, be brave and courageous, and I am sure, you will be happy forever after. Don't cry, darling, be cheerful, smile all the time and you will. Then the homecoming letter it will be. When I go to bed, I kiss your picture and always say "Goodnight, darling, pleasant dreams".

I am very glad that your foot is better. Please, honey, take good care of it. Don't forget, Tootsie, as you know it's mine, too, and I just love to feel one of what's mine. Feel mondean to take care of her -

self as I am worried over her. Also tell her that she should write, as I haven't heard from her yet.

I forgot to tell you that the offer I was supposed to hear from on Wednesday, turned out a failure, as another fellow landed it before I had a chance. That's why I am going out for myself.

Remember, darling mine, take good care of yourself. Don't grieve over my absence as I am sure our separation won't be for long.

With all my love to my darling, the best little wife in all the world, and with kisses o'lots galore,

Ever lovingly yours
Hubby.

Uncle Morris wishes to be remembered.

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My darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling letter of the 14th and am very sorry you didn't receive any mail that day, but I hope by now you are receiving my mail regularly.

Sooto, they don't want me to go for myself as yet. Mr. Solomon, who is my uncles brother-in-law and who by the way, sure treated me well, took me to see the biggest lawyers in town and introduced me to them. I told them what I am trying to do and interested them so that they were insistant that I come up to see them to-morrow. They assured me they were going to assist me and that I shouldn't be in a hurry. I suppose by Monday, they will have something for me.

I got that divorce case to-day for the negress that works here. She is to bring me $11.00 Monday so that I can go right ahead. I got another $10.00 case to-day. Sure do hope I can make out. Certainly am going to try hard.

Am very glad that mama-dear & the family are O.K. Am quite worried over them as I received no mail from them since I'm here! Why don't they write? I wrote to your father, too. Certainly was sorry I couldn't bid him good-by.

I was indeed happy that you went to the show but please, Sootie, enjoy yourself, won't you? I'd feel so much happier if I knew that you enjoy yourself. Sure do hope you will enjoy your visit to the Fishers. Remember me to them & tell them I'm very sorry indeed, I couldn't see them before I left.

Honeybunch sure did love to read your letter. I'm so glad to feel that you love me so much, and you may rest assured I love you with all my heart, and will work & work to make you happy. I am trying my best to be able to call for you in the near future. If only I can get located, I'd be alright. I hope these big lawyers will help me as they said and assured me they will.

Give my ~~reg~~ love + wishes to mondeau & the family and
now and love with all my love to my precious little sweetheart
wife and with wishes for pleasant dreams + a goodnight kiss,

Ever lovingly yours

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My darling Toots:-

Received your darling letter of the 15th and I can assure you, it made me supremely happy. At any time I get discouraged, I just pull out your letters, read them over and feel better. They certainly act as a tonic for any depressed feeling that comes over me as they must, once in a while. If could I take care of my health. I'll try the best I can.

Yes my honey, we have had enough of separation. I can't do without you, that's all there is to it. If it wasn't impossible for you to come down now, I can assure you, you would be here. First off, I must get settled down and then if I see the first possibility of calling for you, I'll sure do so. I'm pretty sure things will come our way. But it must take time, you know, without doubt that I'm in for a hard struggle, but that doesn't unnerve me, as I feel confident I can cope with any situation that presents itself. The encouragement I am getting makes me feel a man once again. I get it from all sides, even my rivals. Of course, I am taking things as they come and give each and everything its due weight and deliberation. I am just out to see what is best and through which way would be the nearest to your arrival. So don't you worry, honey, as I am taking care of myself and only hope you will be brave and courageous as you always have been. Don't forget, sweetheart, I want to remind you again, please go out and enjoy yourself as much as you can.

Sweetheart mine, don't worry about my "3 squares". My aunt is just fine some. Still complaining over nothing at all and not making any meals. I don't rely on them for my food. If I go broke, I'll starve before I will eat there. I must always take a stab at it. I have my meals out in town and eat fairly well, but would give anything for home made cooking. Precious Toots, don't forget to learn how to make all I am fond of, for I am just craving for one of those good old home made meals.

Dr. Lazar will examine me some time next week. He says one is making out fine. Got quite a little money saved up. I belong to one of the lodges & to-morrow I will be proposed to two others, one of which carries insurance, $100 worth, I believe.

I am sorry to say that as yet I haven't seen the Solds', but will do so as soon as I get settled. To-morrow I'm having dinner with the Lazars (Mrs Lazar I haven't seen yet) and when I am

going to the memorial exercises held at the Masonic Temple in memory of the deceased masons, with my uncle, who is a 32nd degree Mason. I met Herman Goldberg in town. He's home on a furlough.

I sincerely regret I can't write anything about the proposition with the biggest Jumps in town as I must see them at 4 P.M. and I don't want to miss the mail, but I'll write to-morrow if there is anything in it. I have such hope in it that I feel kind of elated. I only hope I can write some good news about it to-morrow.

I certainly was surprised to hear about the telegram. Anyway, it showed my precious hubie that I kept my word.

I received a letter from Maudeen. I'm glad that everything is O.K. Sally wrote me that he wants me to look for an opening for him here. I certainly am doing that, as I would love to have him here, for I am sure he will be a success in this "lil ole town."

I will close now, precious sweetheart of mine, and wishing you pleasant dreams & a good big hug & kiss when you return, my darling little Jots,

Everlovingly

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January 20, 1919.

My precious Toots:-

Just received both your letters of the 16 & 17, and believe me, honey, I was glad to get them.

Sweetheart, mine, I really don't know what to say about your room. I sure do wish you wouldn't have to bother about it, as I would rather have you live at home and be with people. Of course, honey, you do as you think best as I certainly am trying to have you come down here very soon. When I read how you missed me that night, I began longing for you so that I didn't know what to do. Ah, if I could only hold you in my arms now, I certainly would be happy. So you destroyed your former sweethearts' letters! Well, well, and you ——— sorry? I don't think so, after the way you have been writing to me and the way you stood by me. She thought that you love me so much enables me to withstand my loneliness, but of course, I'll never be anything but lonely while you're away from me. You sure are coming soon, but to dear old Memphis, eh? You darling little wife mine. I sure do love you, yearn for you, think and dream of you. If I could only show you how much I love you!

As for the "dope" here goes. My aunt said you were the sweetest girl she ever laid eyes on and said you took between your goodness. They certainly do want to see, my uncle & aunt, and so does Mr. Solomon.

Well sweetheart, here is some news for you. The big lawyers I was talking about merely gave me advice to go out for myself, open up alone and go to it. They assured me of assistance, but of course, I merely took it as it comes. Then, this morning I saw a Judge Perez, who also told me to go out for myself and said "if you win come before me, you can be sure of a square deal." I certainly did appreciate his advice, took it and then ——— went out for myself.

I took that office next to Dr. Logan and paid rent from Feb. 1st to March 1st, 1919, but I am using it in the mean time anyway, continue send my mail in care of my uncle, until I actually occupy the premises. Then I bought a beautiful, large desk, second hand of course, and 3 nice little chairs and what do you think! My uncle & Solomon paid for the furniture! Don't you think that's fine? Solomon says to me "You keep on to your money as long as you can and we'll pay for your furniture. You can pay when you can afford it." I sure was surprised and elated over it. I told him, in answer to query as to how much money I have, that I only have $60, $15 of which I paid for rent, so that made him do what he did. So you see, darling Toots, I have some money yet to back me up on. I still need to ~~buy a~~ buy a typewriter, and am

my eyes open for a cheap one; then I must get some clothing pressed and everything will be O.K.

Honey, I don't know what to say about the checks, but maybe the allotments due until Feb. 1st. Solomon told me that most of the men are getting pay until that time. Monday has that $20 check, for I only wrote to the War Risk Insurance Bureau without inclosing it, so I believe I may be wrong at that. Don't worry about the peace news. In a few weeks, I'll again take up my proposition for absolute discharge. Before I go further, I want understand about those women.

Yesterday, I went to the Lazaars and had dinner with them. Mrs Lazaar kept on talking about you & told me to convey her best regards to you & hopes to see you very, very soon. I told her that as soon as I could afford it, you'd be here. She wants the Mr. & me to look for some nice rooms where we could be together, so I told her I would. We had quite a nice little time. Then I went with my uncle & Mr. Solomon to the Scottish Rite Cathedral (Masonic) and attended the memorial exercises. They were very impressive, indeed and I only wished you were along. As soon as I can afford it, I'm going to join.

Boots, I want this to catch the mail as it's 4 o'clock and I'm afraid I'll miss it. I will write a big letter to-morrow.

With all my love to my precious honey bunch and with all my love & kisses, I am

Exclusively yours

Joy

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January 21, 1919.

My darling Toots:-

Just received your Saturday letter the 18. It certainly is beyond the way the mail is floating around so irregularly. I should have gotten this letter yesterday, but it came to day instead. Like do hope we won't have any trouble in getting our mail.

I suppose you know that by now, I'm out for myself. Yo Tootsie, in the Goodlan Building and you can address all my mail here, after this. I have 2 nice rooms, my private office is nice & large, with 2 nice windows. I've already hung up my 2 licenses, but the walls are kind of bare, so will buy a few pictures. I must still get 2 cuspidors and 2 rugs, besides 2 more chairs. Everything is so high that I am afraid to go in a store and get anything. I'll also got to buy a little book case for my books. I don't know how much they will charge me, but I'll have to do it. You can just imagine that I can't even buy a typewriter. They want $70.00 for a second hand one. Did you ever hear of anything like it? I bought some typewriter paper, legal size carbon, a wire waste basket, a desk basket, a letter file, and all of me near $10.00, so you can see how high things are. Buying these little things, all of which are necessary, put a bad crimp in my finances, but don't you worry, I'll make some money, and fund up the office.

I didn't get any money in that divorce case, but I expect it some time this week. I only hope she doesn't back out. I have a few cases, more than I expected in so short a time, but as yet have received no money on them. As soon as I get nicely settled, I won't have to worry about the money so much.

Tootsie, I'd love to join the Masons. The first degree would only cost $50, but I feel I can put $50 to a better advantage, so I'll wait until everything gets fixed up.

I had intended to write you a big letter yesterday, but running around ordering my stationary and other things, I got too late as I didn't want to miss the mail. You said in yesterday's letter that you were afraid that we won't have peace. What makes you say that? Have you here have we had news? Don't worry, Lovie, everything will be O.K. As for my uniforms, wait a week or 2 & then I'll let you know what to do with them.

I am happy at the thought Lolly is getting on so fine. Only hope he continues that way. Tell him I'm still trying

for him but he must hold on to what he has, and when everything is ready, he'll be able to come down.

As for you, darling, what can I say except what I always say. I do want you, want you badly and you may believe me I'd be the happiest man if you were here but — honey, its impossible at this time. As soon as my fracture gets up, as soon as I feel I have a little strong foothold, you'll come down. You'll come to me, your lonesome husband. I fear the night, Footsie, they are so long and lonely and when I am all alone, in my room its seems that I get depressed with a forlorn feeling, an emotion that will always stay with me until you are here.

Darling mine, how are you feeling? How's your poor tired little "footsie"? Take care of them, darling and don't work too hard.

With all my love to my precious little baby wife, the dearest, truest, noblest woman on God's green earth, and with hugs & kisses & smiles for pleasant.

Ever lovingly your own

Hubby

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January 22, 1919.

My precious Lootsie:-

Just received your Sunday letter and Lootsie, I'm sure sorry you have to live at the hospital. You poor, tired little wifie mine, you certainly are having your little pack of trouble, aren't you? Honey, don't care, it won't be for long, if I can help it.

I am sorry you didn't get any mail from me except one in 3 days; as a matter of fact, I am writing every day, so can't understand why you don't get any mail. I hope this irregularity in the mail will soon stop as I want you to get my mail regularly.

I suppose you know from my previous letter that I am out for myself, so there won't be much to write about that, except that I'm making lots of acquaintances & picking up a case here and there which means that that is the way a practice is built up. I only hope I get a strong, even though small, practice in a few months so that I can call for you.

Precious, don't work too hard. If you feel you can't stand living at the dispensary, quit the job and I'll try and send some money regularly. It can't be much as I'm not taken in much though I've got the cases. Keep your eyes open for an easy job.

It 10 o'clock in the morning when this letter is being written so there isn't much to write about, so will close now, to my darling precious, sweetheart wifie, with all my love & kisses,

Everlovingly your hubby,

Please excuse short letter as I haven't much time, what with me doing a lot of running around. Tell mother I received her 2 letters, but will answer them to-morrow, having no time to-day. Tell her to take care of herself.

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January 23, 1919.

My darling Toots:-

Received your letter of the 20th, Monday, and was indeed happy to find that you are receiving my mail regularly. I sure do hope the mail has regulated itself. Believe me, sweetheart, (you always will be my sweetheart), I will appreciate the old fashioned letters. I fully appreciated the fact that you were sorely tried and tried after penning all day, so felt doubly happy, even though short, to receive that Sunday's letter, so you needn't worry about it.

Well, honey mine, I didn't appear before the Grand Jury as yet, but must be there next Tuesday, as no jury has as yet been selected. By that date, they will have been selected and then I will be able to appear before them. The fellow I'm trying to put in jail passed a bad check on my client for $62.20. He's in jail now, up in Grand Rapids, Mich, so I've got to catch him before he is left loose. Yes, Tootsie mine, I sincerely hope & pray that soon you will be here & hear me argue cases. Don't worry, honey, the time will soon come.

Last night, about, 5 o'clock, Dr. Lazar called me in to his office & introduced me to a negro, who was hurt on a street car. I got the case and am going to sue the company. I hope I can make a few dollars out of it. Accident cases are fine, especially against the railroad or car company, but, my luck, the car company in Memphis went into the receivers hands, so I won't be able to make as much as I would if they were solvent. Any way, it feels good to know that the practice is taking some sort of a shape.

To-day I bought a typewriter for $40.00 cash. It was so cheap, I could hardly believe the man when he told me. As a matter of fact, the man wanted $45.00 but Joe Solomon went along with me & got it $5 less. You see, I couldn't afford to let everyone know my financial conditions, & Solomon put it in such a way as to relieve me from any conversation with the boy buying of it. It's an Underwood, & though I bought it for a second hand machine, its practically a brand new one. In getting away from it, it certainly is a beauty of a machine, and its touch is much lighter than I expected it to be. If I have nothing to do, I sit down and make out the different forms that often come up.

As to my offices, the private one looks fairly well, as the desk & chairs occupy a lot of room, but the reception room still looks kind of vacant. I must get a few more chairs & some carpet. Solomon told me he was going to get me the

carpet & chairs. He sure is a funny of a fellow.

How are you Toots, darling? How are you feel? And your health in general? Please, dooce, do take care of yourself. I am alright, taking care of myself. Had a headache for 2 days, but it passed away. I believe it was the inclement weather, as it was raining fearfully for those 2 days. Dr. Lazear will write you as to my health.

Will close now, precious, with all my love & kisses to the only little wifie in the this wide world,

Even lovingly your lonesome

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January 24, 1919.

My own precious Wifie:-

Just received your real old fashioned letter and honey, let me tell you, you should have been a novelist, and not a pharmacist. Your composition, your rhetoric, your grammar and syntax were as nearly perfect as could be and besides being welcome your letter read as a good book. Honey, I sure do wish I could get letters like that as often as you could write them.

So now you are at the hospital! Believe me, sweetheart, I am going to try my hardest to get you out of there and bring you here. You may have all the conveniences, but that it not home and I know that you feel that way, too. You can tell that old hag of a housekeeper to keep a civil tongue in her head, or she'll hear from me, regardless of the fact that I am 1400 miles away from her. Don't stand any nonsense from her & tell her so. See to it that you get all you are entitled to, and let them know it, too. Honey, have they started the night work? Listen. You stay at my mom's house or your mother's, any night you feel like and stay over night too, if Mr. Swallow is going home as usual. Will you precious? I hope you will, as I don't see why others can and you can't.

Sweetie I am trying to be as happy and courageous as possible but there is always the thought that you are not with me. I am always wondering what you are doing, how you are feeling, how everybody is treating you and all such incidents that I should always look after. Time, things are going much better than I expected, but still, I feel it merely drags along. I shouldn't feel that way, I know, but I can't help it. Even Dr. Dayan says that I am making out 100% better than he thought I would do. I certainly do realize what it means to be away loved ones, but always the thought of you re-kindles a mysterious impetus to do, to create, to master things so that you will be here with me very soon. Yes, honey love, if things keep up as they have been going on, you will be here sooner than I expected. Precious mine, to have you in my arms, to hug you, to kiss you, to love you, to take care of you for the rest of your life, is my only desire. Oh, sweetheart, how I yearn for the time to come. Darling, I don't want you to cry or grieve. Be happy. If, God forbid, I do go broke, I'll let you know, for I don't want you to be angry with me. I can't get used to my aunt's cooking anyway, so I eat out in town and have a good meal. Thank God my aunt don't cooking any meals these days, as she is still prostrated with a severe attack of la grippe, so I don't have to make any excuse. Precious, I will always take good care of your property as well as my own, you needn't worry. I am taking good care of myself & keeping busy.

I am glad that you made up your uniforms Sunday and so got them out of your way. I certainly would love to see you in them. Honey, I can't forget your beautiful longues, especially the pink ones you wore the first night. The first night here you will also wear them, won't you, light of my life? And then you will rest your wonderful head on my shoulder and sleep the whole night through, just as we planned. Honey, when I begin thinking of you so much, I must quit doing what I am about and dream of you for a while and then go about my affairs. Just as

soon as I get a little junior in my practice, I am going to call for you, and you will bring all your petty things too, won't you, my sweetheart wife?

I am sorry that Edna has had to write for you dad, but I will not fail to answer any mail from your dad. A jewish letter from him wouldn't be so bad. Please tell my "Chantzie" to forgive me for not writing to her but as soon as I get an opportunity I'll write

I certainly am sorry that Barney is having so much trouble. Do you remember how he boasted that things would be so easy for him? I can't forget that for I knew he was mainly relying on what friends (?) were going to do for him. Yes, and the way this wonderful sister-in-law's husband was going to give him his last cent, if she had anything to say about it; of course, his assistance would be given after his business was bad. I can assure you, I am glad that I was at arm's length from Sadie. Indeed, only one who has undergone similar circumstances can realize the pitiable plight Barney is in. Where are the wealthy Weinbergs who were going to let him have the money for 90 days? Where are his "loyal & true friends" who were going through fire for him? Yes, my honey he is just beginning to realize what I found out even since I could remember, that "blood is my thirst, but nearer is my skin" as you know, there is no love lost between Barney & me, but, having undergone my own period of suffering I readily realize what sort of a predicament he is in and if I could assist him in anyway, I would, not for his sake, as I cannot forget his conduct towards you, nor will I ever forget, but for poor Nellie, who no doubt, is suffering more than he is. Why? Because you can see for yourself when the other one had her supposedly grief, Nellie was her consolor, but now when Nellie should have consolation she gets it, probably, but the real needed consolation, assistance with money, comfort, help, is not forthcoming, and will not, in all probabilities, until actually forced to be given. Nellie no doubt has considerable antagonistic toward her by not making a good deal of noise so as to be willing to assist her & her, but you know me, darling, if I can't do what I promise, why promise? If at any time I can help anyone, I'll do it and without telling anyone. After all, I can't help but smile, when I think of all the promises that were made. How well I remember how the empty talk was gulped down and the promises digested but——— oh, well, no use. When the other one goes into housekeeping, new obstacles will be in the way, and poor Nellie will still continue to suffer. Sincerely pray, sweetheart I pray sincerely pray and hope that Nellie's life with her husband should be a happy one, as I know she suffered even though she laughed when anyone was around, instead of wasting anybody miserable and disgusted.

I was surprised to hear that Ben Love went to see Barney about me. He knew where I was, but I suppose it was mainly as a pretext to get in with the Weinbergs. Same old Love. I haven't heard from him recently, but I wrote him a letter yesterday. I was politely admonished not to have him in my office when he comes back for, to use the exact words I received "his reputation is such that you can't afford to be with him." I can't understand what he has done, that so many

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people talk that way about him. (3) Even his best friends tell me he is merely a mere adapter. I heard things about him that I don't care to write you about, but as soon as I see you, I'll tell you.

So there as often as you can for I know you feel fine after a visit there. I can't blame you, either, as she certainly does keep a wonderful home. Is she is prettier than ever? Never as pretty or lovely as you, I can assure you. I am glad she has such a pretty baby, but for the life of me, I can't understand where they got hold of the name "Vincent" always reminds me of catholicism, something that I abhor, but, I suppose she knows what she is doing. My baby's name will be "Jacob" and ~~she~~ named after one of the best men God, in his wisdom, created. What say you, love, don't you think I am right. I certainly would be happy to have them pay you a visit in Memphis and believe me, I'll try and host as pretty a home as they ever laid eye on. You got me again on a swap, well, Mrs. Lazar is very anxious to see you as you must be wonderful from the way I spoke about you. I assumed her I couldn't speak highly enough of you. There's your swap, dearest.

You want to tell Joe Joseph that it only cost $50.00 to get to her. You afraid for him to attempt this funny work with you. I believe the marriage license is best for him, as his intelligence based more upon a solution of oxygen & hydrogen, is much too little for so honorable a profession as "law". Yes, and you'll show him & his sister the write up I get. I expect it will come about in a little while; I just don't know when.

So Rose consents to your telling everyone about breaking her engagement! I am glad for it really is the best. She certainly is a wonderful kid and I'll do all I can for her. I am so glad she takes such good care of you.

Sootsie, I only hope & pray that mon deau dream comes true & I feel like I always felt, if we are blessed with children, the first boy born will be named after Popdear, let him rest in peace. He always thought so much of you and loved you as his own daughter. Isn't that so darling. Lord! How happy I would be if I had a baby! Mrs. Lazar asked me if I like children, I simply told her I loved them, especially if my sweetheart Sootsie is their mother. I certainly am hoping & praying for it to come. Wouldn't you, honey love?

So Paige is getting married in March? Thank heaven and I wish her lots of luck. Yes, Lovie, I know what trousseau

means now.

Love do wish I could walk out of the frame on your desk & give you a big kiss you & hold you fair in my arms for the rest of your life. Yes Toots, if things keep up, I'll call for you perhaps in the beginning of April, not later than the beginning of May, at any rate. I figure to have you here by April.

Toots, darling, I hope you understand my writing. Excuse all mistakes & bad writing, won't you, dovie? Take good care of yourself, and don't worry too much. Let me know how you are feeling, how you are in general health and how your darling foot is.

Will close now with my love & kisses & hugs to the best and dearest wife in all the world.

Ever lovingly yours ever

Hubby

P.S. Don't worry about me. I'll try & be courageous as you suggest. Take good care of yourself.

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Sweetheart Toots.-

Just received your Wednesday letter and am so sorry you didnt receive any mail. I was sure you would receive a letter for in the letter you were supposed to receive Wednesday, I informed you of the fact that I was out for myself. I sure am disgusted with the way the P.O. Dept is handling the mail. Here I write every day so that you can get a letter every day, then they deliver 3 in one day & the next 2 days not a one. Oh, well, Toots, it cant be helped. I get your mail regularly, I suppose on account of the efficient manner in which mail is handled by the N.Y.P.O., while you don't, on account of the inefficient manner Memphis attends to mail.

Honey, what was the fuss you write about? Was it the housekeeper again. You dont have to stand any nonsense from her and please tell her so. I want you to sleep anywhere you please at my mother's or your mother's, regardless of the rules of the hospital, & if they bring charges, let them.

Am very glad that Ray & Mendel are well & happy. I certainly would love to see Helen. Please remember, lovie, to go to Mom dear's house at least every Friday. Am glad she calls you up every day. When you go there Friday nights, stay over night.

I'm feeling fine, precious, going among people, establishing myself and elated over the fact that I have my own office. I really believe it won't belong before things will come along fine. My dear called me up & told me he want me to make the acquaintance of an attorney who is one of the most high-toned lawyers, a Jew, in Memphis. I will go up & see him Monday.

Last night Joe Solomon was telling me how much he would like to see you, and so did my uncle. My uncle always keeps telling me to attend strictly to my business & he is sure I will be successful. He said if you

wife will come down & everything will alright." As a matter of fact they are all anxious to see you.

Dr. Lazear is sure helping me along. Wherever he goes, he mentions my name & recommends me to everyone. He has already given me a few cases. He certainly is a good fellow.

Toots, though everything is going along nicely, I yearn for you, and I can assure I am terribly lonesome. Don't worry, I'm taking care of myself, and as soon as I get mine firmly established, I'll send for you.

I am glad you got rid of the davenport. Toots, I insist you take the money & buy yourself something. You heal, sweetheart, and don't pay off any part of debt with it. You'll do that, won't you, darling mine? Take good care of yourself, & keep on being in love. How's my sweetheart's (mine) foot feeling? O.K. I hope. Will close now, darling, with all my love, kisses & hugs to my precious, sweetheart wifie,

Even lovingly,

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January 26, 1919.

My own precious love:-

Last night about 4 o'clock, the mail-man brought me your Thursday's letter and I can assure you, I was indeed very happy to get it. It sure made me feel good to read your words and if I was discouraged, it certainly passed away in a no time. It certainly was splendid of you, dear one. I knew you would look at it as I did, so that is why I started in small, with a view of working up.

Darling mine, I am as happy as can be after reading about your increase. Sec, but that is splendid. I only hope & pray that you will be comfortable & have all the conveniences they give, only love, darling, take good care of yourself, take good care of my most precious jewel, and don't worry about me. I'm taking good care of myself, have everything I want and am getting business little by little. My uncle & Mr. Solomon are both helping me out a good deal, so you see, I am rather getting a rise, only of course, I'm very, very lonesome. I certainly am trying to work up a nice little practice so that I can call for you soon.

Honey I have decided to join the Masons. I will have to have ($20) twenty dollars by the 5th of Feb. so if you will send me that amount, I will be able to go in with Dr. Logan & the druggist. This $20 will be for the 1st degree and then in April & in May, the balance. By that time I feel sure I will be able to pay the $30, so that is why I've decided to join now. This $50 will be for the first 3 degrees only and then in the fall or beginning of next year, if I can afford it, I'll go up for a 32nd ~~degree~~ shriner. Don't you think that it is best for me to join now? I didn't want to ask you for money, but I wanted to go in with Dr. Logan, that's why I wanted to join so soon. If you feel you can't take

the $20, don't send it and I'll go up some other time. As for the other lodges, I belong to one, and I was proposed in the other, the "Order Sons of Zion" in which I have applied for $500 insurance. I am trying for as much insurance as I can afford so that I can protect you as much as possible.

As for the Lazaars living in a swell place, permit me to disillusion you. They live on Beale St, the better section of it, which is mainly inhabited by negroes. The doctor wants to live there for a while because he is known already and its so near town. As soon as I am ready, we are both going to try & find a place near each other.

Well, Sookie mine, I'll close now, with all my love to my precious, sweetheart wifie,

Every lovingly & longingly yours

Hubby.

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Dear Mrs. Freedman

As per your request as to the health of your darling Husband I can state that he is in the best of health the only thing I can find ault is with him, he is Love Sick a thing I cannot remedy, if you are the best Doctor for this ailment

Dear Friend Thaugh unknown to me accept my Congratulation on your wisdom & good taste I shall conclude with regret that I have no more to write for the present & hope when you will be in Memphis & if I do not say for Ocolumb I will be able to paint out to you the good qualities of your Husband

I am main
Respectfully
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Written on my typewriter. How do you like it?

January 27, 1919.

My precious Tootsie:-

Just received your welcome Friday's letter and can't tell you how disgusted I am with the way the mail is handled. I write every day, including Sunday, so can't understand why the mail is so delayed. I wrote you Saturday morning & purposely went down to the Post Office to mail it. I sure do hope you get it in time.

My office is getting on splendidly, sweetheart, am kept a little busy, but no money is coming in. Even as I am writing, I am also talking to a client. He just left. Wants me to get his citizenship papers for him. Little by little I'll get his other [illegible] business. It is true it requires a lot of money to settle down, but that should not worry you, dear. I have altogether $37.00 as the typewriter tore a big hole in my finances, but I have enough to get along with. You see, I am holding this money for my personal effects, and as soon as I begin collecting some money, I'll fix up the office. Everything I have is second hand, haven't bought anything but what was necessary. Even if there plenty of typewriters on the market, I'd never get one as cheap & in such a good condition as mine. The only trouble was that I had to pay in cash.

My private office is fixed up pretty well. My desk and chair practically furnish it up, only my reception room is quite bare. Solomon again told me he was going to get me the stuff for it and then both the rooms will begin looking like something.

I suppose by now you received my letter wherein I stated about the Masonic lodge. If, my precious, you feel you can't spare that $20.00, don't send it. I'll explain why $20 is all that is necessary, didn't I?

Toots, I can't express myself in writing as to how I yearn & long for you. Believe me, I sure do want you with me. I am trying my best so that I can soon call for you. It might be in April, or in May, but I can assure you that if I can help it there won't be any more separation. I feel pretty good, don't get as many headaches and go

out in the evening to make acquaintance, but I can tell you this, I dread the evenings + Sundays. I have nothing to do and when I begin thinking of my lonesomeness, I get so terribly depressed I can hardly even look straight, but don't worry Toots, mine, you just taste care of yourself and I'll feel consoled with that. Don't worry about my finance or as to my meals. I'm having all I want, and eat regularly.

I'm sorry, darling, that you haven't much time to tell Mondeau. She wrote me that she misses you as much as she misses me. I can assure you, she means it, too. Anyway, don't forget the Friday night.

Well precious, I will close now, before I get blue and depressed, so let me conclude with all my love to the sweetest, precious, dearest wife in all the world,

Ever lovingly + yearningly yours

Hubby

P.S. Don't worry about me, sweetheart, everything is 100% better than I expected. Taste good care of yourself. How is your foot, my property? Don't forget, you are the most precious jewel I possess, or ever will possess. Just received a letter from Edna. Will answer it as soon as I get an opportunity.

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My darling Toots:-

Just received your Saturdays' letter. Instead of coming late yesterday afternoon, it came this morning.

Did you receive the paper I sent you? What do you think of the write up? I told them that I was once aboard the San Diego and they took it for granted that I served aboard it, hence the article. It sure did make me laugh.

Well, Love, business is picking up, getting new clients, but I'll be dog-gored if I can get any money out of them. Lots of people are begining to know me & have promised to assist me. Solomon introduced me to the president of this bank, a certain Abe Goodman, prominent business man of this town and he Goodman, told me to come & see him as often as I can to find out if he has anything and if not, I shouldn't be impatient, for he is going to help me out as much as possible. So you see, as far as getting business, I'm alright, but getting the money is what's interesting me. I feel sure, that though things are kind of hard now, when money begins coming in, it will come in a rush. Don't forget, precious, I'm trying my best so that I can soon call for you. I just want to get more firmly established and feel that I can adequately support you before I send for you. You can just imagine my pleasure when I already have you here. By God, I sure would be happy. Don't worry, sweetheart, it darkest before dawn & you will see, as before, when things begin shaping themselves, all I will be well.

I certainly do hope you won't have any trouble at the dispensary and I can assure you it galls me to feel that you must put up with so much. Don't forget your promise: if they start in a little too much, leave, and you'll come here immediately & suffer with me. It is bad enough for me to suffer here alone, without feeling that you, too, are suffering up there, so please, darling, remember.

I called up the Gold's & found that Dr. Gold is out of town, in Newport, but the time you receive this he will be back. I spoke to Mrs. Gold who says she wishes me to come & see her. I'll call her up before I go there. I will probably

all her some time this week, with my uncle. When I told her who I was, she remembered me, & said she was wondering why I never called on them. I made the usual excuses, of course, & promised to call.

I can't understand about mother not hearing from me, for I write every day. Hard but the mail is slow. Glad you all took a nice walk & had you nig fixed. How is Rob.? I wonder what Rose said when she had to walk with him!

Will close now, my darling wife, with all my love. Kisses & hugs, and with wishes, so sincere, to see you very, very, soon,

Ever lovingly your own hubby,

Jay

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January 29, 1919.

My own darling Toots:-

Just received your Sunday's letter and certainly am sorry that my answer to your big, big letter wasn't big enough. Next time I'll try my best to enlarge it. When can I going to receive another one like that. I love them, Toots, for they sure do make me happy.

To-day a man came up to see me about getting a permit for him and if I get it I make $10.00, so you see that depends on whether or not I get it. He wants to put up a tent on a vacant lot where he will be able to tell fortunes. It seems that the city is dead set against them, that's why I'm not sure if I will get the permit. Anyway, the reason I tell you this is because this fellow was sent to me by the Mr. Goodman, president of the Commercial Bankers Trust Co., I wrote to you about in my previous letter. I sure do hope I get it for him. It surely shows you, my own precious Toots, that I'm begining to make a solid foundation. If this Goodman will continue to help me that way, I sure will be successful. What do you think of this one, eh?

I am glad that the Fishers are going up to Mounds and doubly glad that you are seeing each other more often. Every time I think of them, I think of their home. Gee, I wish I had one like that, I sure would know that you are happy. Well, "all comes to him who wait", so you just don't worry, everything will come out O.K., & you will have as pretty a home as any one.

Toots, I can't leave my uncle & live with another family. After all, you can see how he assisted me and I really needed it. I saw the Dean to-day & told him I was out for myself & that my uncle did what he did and the dean said "Remember, Jay, he once treated you in a way I'll never forget, and by his helping you now, he might want to do the same thing". I assumed him it was different now & he seemed satisfied. Then he turn around & gives me 2 notes to collect, and guess again whom! Herman L. Goldberger! What do you know

about that? Goldberger will have a fit if he finds out I got them for collection, as will Ben Love.

Honey, I'm feeling pretty good, happy over the prospects ~~even~~ even though I don't take in any money yet. I'm happy in the thought that I have clients & feel that when money once start coming in it will roll. And oh, sweetie, as soon as I'm more firmly established, believe me, you will be here. I have an ambition to collect a heap of love & kisses that are awaiting me & I intend to collect with interest, too. Don't worry precious, you eat as many good meals at the dispensary or any other place, for I want you to be healthy & when I send for you, whether you weigh 250 or 350, it will not impede my progress in courting you for the rest of my love. So don't forget, take good care of yourself, eat as much as you can & enjoy yourself.

I bought a few little pictures & had your picture framed. It sure is beautiful. Dr. Layson said you must have had a splinter in your eye when you married me. I told him it must be true for to get such a pretty & good little woman was wholly beyond my expectations, but I assured him, as I once assured you, I'd try my best to make you feel it wasn't a regrettable step.

Well, darling mine, will close now, with all my love, kisses & hugs to the only, darling wifie in the whole wide world,

Ever lovingly yours

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Thursday.

My own darling Toots!-

No mail to-day, so far, it's 2.15 P.M., Can't understand it. I suppose I'll get it to-morrow morning. Sure do want to get it. I just came from a luncheon given by the Retail Merchants Credit Ass'n, at the Hotel Gayoso. I made a lot of acquaintances. Solomon took me there & introduced me to the president & secy of the association, & a number of others. Sure do hope I get some business from them.

Well, honey, I couldn't get the permit I wrote about as they are dead set against gypsies. I don't care so much for the loss of the fee, as I do the fact that in all probabilities the president of the bank might feel unpleasantly towards me, but I saw him & told him how difficult it is to get a permit for a fortune teller & he assured me that he is satisfied & I tried my best. My practice is getting established more firmly every day. I do hope I can call for you soon. Trying my best for I feel I can't stand this separation. Gosh, I can tell you, never again. I "wants ma wife" and want her badly too.

I expect to go before the Grand Jury to-morrow, & will probably collect some money.

Toots, excuse the shortness of this letter. I have a few clients who are on their way up here. Just saw them coming, as I was coming down the street.

With all my love to you, my precious darling little wifey

Ever lovingly & longingly

Please tell mom-dear Kin still awaiting for a letter from her.

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My own darling wifie:-

Thank you, sweetheart, for the nice big letter I just received. I simply become elated when I receive such wonderful letter and as I said before, letters like that instil such a pride in me that I have such a wifie, so clever, lovely and sweet, that I forget for the moment that I am lonesome, but after a while, it passes why, and then I realize once more that the one dearest and nearest to my heart is over 1400 miles away, and then, sweetheart, I certainly do become depressed. Tots, I'll never feel any different until you are with me and then ——— Oh Tootsie, will the time ever come? Yes, precious, I want you here by April but honey, if my income isn't $100.00 a month at least I can see the possibility of calling for you then, but believe me, I can assure you, I'll try & have you here by that time. If not, then it will be as you said you will be preparing to come, anyway.

Tootsie all you have to do, is to get Moore, if you want settle the debt, but as for your fare and other incidentals, that's my lookout, for I won't call for you ~~unless~~ unless I send the fare to you. I certainly am happy to think that you are getting along so splendidly at the dispensary. After all, it is a good position, but, dear heart, there is a better one awaiting you, and that is with me. What say you, sweet one? As for your pretties, I am glad you are saving them until you come here for I fully appreciate the sentiment attached to them and I fully realize their sweetness. I certainly do wish that you could wear them now! Well, Tootsie, there is no use worrying about it, for I am sure the time will soon be here and I will have a nice comfy little home and the purest, sweetest and dearest little wifie awaiting me after my day's work is done.

Thank you, Tots, for the kisses, and certainly am happy to feel that someone thinks well of me and you can assure the Fishers that the emotions displayed by them towards me is reciprocated as I can assure you our feelings towards each other is mutual. As for H. J. I would be afraid to trust him with a case no matter how small or unimportant, for I cannot forget his statement that he was afraid to handle a case involving a man's life or liberty. If he knows his work, he would be afraid, that's the way I look at it, don't you? I do wish though I had his money. I don't have to tell you what I would do with, do I? Before I forget the Fishers could have named their youngster "Victor," which is a Jewish name. Well, the kid is named, so he has my best wishes for all the luck in the world.

I was surprised to read about what Rose said of Rob. Rob is a good boy and I sure would like to have him in the family before Ben Levi, any time. I believe I wrote you that I communicated with the latter named gentleman but I got the letter back as "unknown at the address". I don't know what became of him. He must have been discharged, I reckon. I hope Rose will soon find a good boy, for she certainly is deserving of good fortune. She is a wonderful kid.

To-day I collected $6.00. (2) That man I wrote to you about indicted to-day and you ought to see my client! He was thrilled pinky. He is so set upon getting even with this fellow that he doesn't care what it cost him. Of course, I'm happy over it, because I pleased him. He assures me time and again, that I am his lawyer for all time, because of the way I handled this matter. While in court, a number of the lawyers greeted me and all expressed their pleasure of seeing me once more among them. As a matter of fact, I didn't know I had so many friends. My client told me he has a friend who is in trouble and will send him up to see me. Hope he comes as I know there will be some money in it. Then my uncle called me up, but I happened to be at the court-house attending to this indictment, and when I saw him he advised me that a certain Negro want a divorce and is going to send him up to see me, but as yet I haven't seen the nigger. It seems I'm having said of hard luck with divorces, but I believe it will pan out and the case will turn up. I certainly feel happy when I think of all the assistance my uncle is giving me; and Joe Solomon, too. I didn't get the carpet & chairs yet, Solomon told me he would attend to it sometime to-day or to-morrow.

I go out every evening and pick up new acquaintances for I feel that out of more than one I'll make some money and have them as my clients. Do you know, every one that goes to my uncle's store, goes around with my card in their pockets? Every one that goes in, man or woman, white or black, gets a card from uncle and I begin to hear my name spoken by a great many people I don't know, so you see my practice is bound to grow. Of course, it takes time, but I'm pretty sure the money will start coming in shortly and my practice will be large enough for you to come down. You know, Sootsie, besides you & mother, I also want to support another little Freedman. One that will be a credit to you and live up to name of my forefathers. Lovie, won't we be happy, eh? I know you will, for you do so want one, and you know how I feel about it. Oh, for the time to only come. When I go to bed, it takes me an hour to fall asleep. I begin thinking of you, of the pretty little home I want to fit up and all things that will make you happy, so much that often times I have to take a pinch before I calm down.

I had your picture framed and have it on my desk. Yesterday Mr. Lazar & another man comes in and after I was introduced Lazar says to the other man "Here is his wife" and then starting in to tease me, said I was too much in love to be any good to which this other fellow answered "If my wife was as pretty and sweet-looking, I'd do the same. I can't blame Freedman one bit for feeling that way toward the Mrs." Nearly everyone that sees your picture passes the same kind of a remark. It's not lying, either, Sootsie.

My uncle last night said he would love to see you here by Easter, but I told him I won't send for you until I am able to properly provide you. Every night we have the same argument. Always asks after you, how you are getting on, what you are doing, and anything he can think of, so long it's about you, so you see

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Honey, I wish you would do me a favor. I get only one or 2 letters a week from mamdear, and even in those letters I am not told how everything is at home. I wish you would tell mamdear that I want a letter full of news, to let me know how Brides is feeling, etc. I am greatly worried over them, so please don't forget. While I'm about it, have you heard from Harding yet?

I haven't as yet called upon the Golds and I won't until Dr. Gold returns. Leffert he's back by now so may be I will go & see him to-morrow night or Sunday. The only reason, as a matter of fact, the main reason I will call on them is to gain a circle of friends to whom I can introduce you to, so that you won't be so lonesome. Dr. & Mrs. Levy are also very anxious to see & always ask when you will be here. The Dr. himself advised me to wait until my union is $100.00 a month, then changed his mind & said "How can I advise you?" He sure is keeping me a great deal and I certainly have a lot to thank him for.

Yesterday I had an evil headache. I don't think I ever suffered so much with a headache. I went home, immediately applied the menthol salve, took 2 cascara pills & an aspirin tablet and this morning, when I got up, I felt as fine as a fiddle. I am beginning to realize the value of that little medicine kit. It's the best thing a fellow can have. You might want to know how I got that headache. To tell you the truth, I don't know, for it came on so suddenly, that it surprised me. I hope I don't get any more like it.

Honey, I can't forget what you wrote about the shortness of my letter which was in answer to your big one. Take this letter, for instance, you can easily see that I write small and the lines are nearer together than in your letters. You little fat-ass, you, I know what you want. Some day, I'll get _____ sore and write a book full, eh? You little precious sweetheart of mine, I'll do anything for you.

The most important thing I left out! Your foot is worrying me. Darling, do take care of it. Wear the support as long as is necessary, don't forget as I believe it's the best thing for you, especially when you say ~~it~~ your foot is much better now than it was. And as to your general health, take good care, for I hold you "absolutely possolutely" responsible. Can't fool me, "Kiddo".

Well, honey, I'll conclude now, and I hope you don't feel dis-

appointed over this letter. If more would happen that I could write about, I'd do so, but before that happens, I want you here so that I could tell you verbally, of what I am doing, how I'm working out, how I love you, adore you and yearn for you, so will close now precious darling mine, with all my love to you, my own sweetheart, and with lots, kisses & thoughts,

Ever lovingly & longingly your own

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My darling precious Tootsie:-

Received 3 letters to-day 28th 29th & 30th. One day I didn't get any at all, & to-day another gala day. Tootsie, I'm sorry I asked you to send me the $20; though joining the masonic lodge would be a wonderful help, I should have been more considerate. If, however, by the time you get this letter, you haven't sent it, don't, but if you have, it'll go right through.

Dr. Loyd phoned me your letter and I can assure I was certainly happy when I read it. Just like you! He said that all I need is to have you here, then I'd be O. K., as you are the only doctor that can cure me of my ailment. As to the puffs under my eyes, he advised me to go early to bed, etc.; you see Toots, there is nothing the matter with me.

I am going up to see the dear Monday, so probably will go with him to see that Jewish lawyer. Every time I see the dear, he always asks how you are getting. People who are hearing about you.

Honey, I'm sure am sorry to hear that you don't like your position. I know that down here, if I ask any uncle, he can get a good position, and what's more, I believe my uncle would pay his way here. I had to write to Lipman & ask him to find a man for my uncle as though they have a lot of work, they can't get enough help. If he wants me to, I'll speak to my uncle. I wouldn't mind having him here; then again, when you come down, you could look after him, too.

My little, but its sweetheart mine, business case is coming in little by little. I landed another divorce case, I believe I wrote to you about it yesterday. I charged him $25.00, but he wants to pay it off weekly. I told him it was O. K. with me so I must meet him at 9.30 to-night & he will pay me the first $5.00 on account. I am sure will be happy when he does it, so I'll know he means to ~~to~~ give me the case. The presser in my uncle's shop recommended me to him. In to-morrows letter, I'll tell you whether or not I landed the case. Other business is coming in, too, such as little collection cases, and others. As my uncle told me just last night, if my business keeps up till April as it is going on now, you will be there at that time, just as Dr. Loyd told me.

Just before writing this letter, I was talking to him about you coming down. He told me to get 3 rooms, furnish it up, not expensively, and he was sure I'd make enough to pull through.

I told him I have no furniture, or dishes, or anything, so he said it would cost me about $250 and would be able to fix up a nice little home with that money. So I was thinking that if I get the room, I'll take the library table, which my mother promised, and ask her for the good chairs she always wanted me to take. As a matter of fact, when I left, mother said she would like me to get a place where I could keep them. If I have this furniture sent here, it would only cost me about $40 or $50 to have crated & shipped & it would save me $100, then all I would have to buy would be the bed-room suite and then a little stuff for the kitchen. Dr. Lazear told me to consider it. What do you think, Sweetie? I get so happy when I begin to think of the time that I can hardly keep my wits.

Darling, take care of your foot, please. No matter how busy you are, I want you to take care & not work too hard. Will you, please, darling? Take care of that which is most precious to me, my sweetest little jewel.

With all my love to you, sweetheart wifie mine, and with hugs & kisses and prayers for your early arrival here,

Ever loving, longing & yearningly,

Your

Joe

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Feb. 2, 1919.
Sunday

My own darling Wifie:-

To-day is Sunday and feel sofar, fit as a top, but I fear the rest of the day as I won't be in the office, but will be walking around all day, anyway, I have this consolation, I can think of you all day long. If it weren't for that I don't know what I would do.

I didn't feel like getting up this morning, I had such a pleasant dream. I dreamt that you were here, had a nice, cozy little home, and what not, when I suddenly awoke & found myself still in my uncle's "palatial" residence.

I spoke to my uncle last night about your dad and this is what he offers: If your dad is a good ladies' tailor, my uncle will give him a position for all the year round, at a good salary and assures him that he will have all the work he want, but if he is not a ladies tailor, but a good mans tailor, then my uncle guarantees to get him a job that he could make such money as he never dreamed of. My uncle asked me to write about this as he is very anxious to have your dad here, before anyone else, so please present this offer and let me know accordingly. But, whatever is done, I don't want to have your dad to think it is my fault if things don't turn out as well as I think they will, for I only fulfilled my promise to your dad, as I had once assured him that if I saw aboard for him to make a nice living here, I would let him know. Please let me have an answer to this as soon as possible.

$5.00, so I think he will either call to see me to-morrow, or else he booted out. My uncle met that negress you asked about and she said she would call him up Monday or Tuesday & make arrangements to meet me at home and then I'll get some money. You can readily see, though, that I am getting homesick. So long as my name is going around, that's all I want, and the thought that people are talking about me, makes me feel happy. As the doctor said, it's bound to come, but it takes time. It can't come any too soon for me, I assure you.

I just reread your last letter in which you say you foot bothers you when you have a busy day. Believe me, honey, I'm worried, and I can assure you that the time is very

for distant, I hope, that you will be here and take care of your darling, precious self, and your dear little foot. Oh, sweetheart, I sure do wish you were here now. Won't we be happy together I can assure you, I'll try my dog-gonedest to make you happy. My uncle is very, very anxious to see you and the way he talks, he has fallen in love with you already.

What are you doing to-day, precious? Have the Friders been up to mondeau? Don't forget my love, to love mondeau write me & tell me how everything is getting on & how Frider is. I believe the ban on the Christmas is over.

Well, my sweet love, will close now, with all the love to my own sweetest, dearest, darling wife, and with lots of Kisses,

Ever lovingly & longingly your

Hubby.

Mr. Dayton will answer your letter Monday.

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February 3rd, 1919.

My own darling Toots:-

Just received your Friday's letter and was expecting your Saturday's letter, but it hasn't as yet come, so I'll only be able to answer one letter to-day. Some times the way the mail is handled gets me so disgusted & just feel like battering the post-office to pieces. I sure do hope you are here soon so that we won't have to rely on the mail so much.

I am indeed glad that you are pleased with the clipping. I wanted to have my picture just in, but the reporter told me that they were still on war "rations" so far as space for news items were concerned, so they are forbidden to put pictures in. Don't worry, sweetheart, no girls are running after me, for if any did I would soon attend to them as I did to that Fannie Fishbein. I got a wife! That's me all over, Kiddo", as the familiar passage goes.

Toots, I sure would love to have a real good old fashioned Friday night supper, and I would give anything to sit at the table with you, eating, laughing & enjoying ourselves. Well I can assure you, I'm trying my best to get you here without much delay.

Yes, sweetheart mine, I'm keeping in touch with all the big men of the town, especially this A. Goodman. He certainly is a big man and I feel I'm quite fortunate to number him among my acquaintances. After he was told I couldn't do anything for the grafty he put up, he told Solomon that he would try & keep sending better clients, where I can make a nice few dollars. That's pretty good, don't you think? Believe me, darling wife mine, I sure do hope the time soon comes around when you will be able to see for yourself how I am progressing. It won't take long, I'm sure.

I am glad your dad is working. The offers I presented in my previous letter are still open for him, if he wants to accept. There need be no cause for depression or despair, as he can always get a job here.

As for Mr. Swallow, I don't know what to say. His conduct wholly disgusts me and you can tell him so. How are the rest at the hospital treating you? I sure do hope they are treating you respectfully & decently. Take care of your darling self & I certainly feel that good times are not very far distant.

Previous, yesterday being Sunday, I had practically nothing to do, so I just walked around. About 8 o'clock in the evening I met Mrs. Lazar, the baby & the doctor. Mrs. Lazar forced me to go along home with them, which I did, and then we all had supper. In the course of a conversation about your arrival

here, Mrs. Lyon said that I shouldn't buy a thing without her, so I promised her I would take her advice & buy accordingly. By the way, Sootie, will it be twin beds or one big big? I wish you would let me know, so that I will know what to look for. The single bed in the suite makes the whole set cheaper than twin beds, but if you want the latter, it shall be that. They had nice sets with the single bed, but can't recall any with twin beds suitable for my purpose. Don't forget to let me know in your answer.

Honey, tell me, do you love me as much as you used to? Don't that a foolish question though? I can't help it, for I do want you to love me always; to think of only me and ——— come down pretty soon. Sister, gialie, if you could only be with me, I soon would loose all heartaches, lonesomeness, and depressions. If I could give you a kiss, a hug; kiss your lips, your wonderful eyes, your hair, your neck ——— Lord I'm going some, but I couldn't help it. I had to say it, for I long for you, yearn for you and want you. I only pray to God to assist me, and guide my feet in the path of righteousness so that I may be better enabled to provide for and support you. As things are now, prospects are very bright and as I said before, you'll soon be with one who one does miss you and loves you, and will always, forever & ever, love you.

With all my love to you, my spark of life, my dearest and most precious jewell, my own beloved wife,

Ever lovingly and longingly your own

Hubby

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Tuesday.

My precious Toots:-

Just received your darling letter of Saturday, enclosing the money order for which I cannot hardly express my gratitude. Darling, God knows I didn't want to take it, but I feel that if I just get in, things will run more smoothly. I am certain that I will be able to take care of the other 2 degrees. It is as you say, my acquaintanceship will enlargen and the more people I meet, the better are my prospects for making good. As it is, I should have no trial, because it must be had in the beginning and once I get back my business, then it will be fine & honey. As for keeping tabs on the big men, you can leave it to me. They won't get away from this little chicken. Dr. Gold is still away, but they expect him back by to-morrow. I hope he soon returns so that I can go up & see him.

Toots, last night, I was in the drug store and who was in, but the best client any lawyer can have, a nigger that I made more than $100 out of, what with his trouble & his friends getting in trouble! He certainly was glad to see me, and I know he means it. Promised to come up & see me. Said he was just discharged from the service & needs some help. Hope he comes up, as I feel sure he means business.

I had just started this letter, when 2 men come in, and asked me to draw up 2 little contracts. I did so, and what do you think?, paid me $5.00 without a word & told me to expect more business. I felt so good, just because I know they only saw my name, and as it is in a small building, they come up. I expected business like that for I feel that a person would sooner, at times, go to a lawyer in a small building than in a big one. I sure am happy to have made the few dollars, and as I was about to draw on my funds, which are quite small, and this saved me for practically the balance of the week.

It never rains, but it pours! You remember the judge I wrote to you about don't you? He's one that advised me to go out for myself. Well he came in the building this morning and I met him in the elevator. After a little talk, he asked me if I was located here and when I told I was, and out for myself, too, just as he advised, he said "Good boy, that's the way." I started in fine to-day, don't you think so?

Darling mine, I told Lt. Lazon what you said and he said that when you come he'll show you that you did have

a splinter in your eye, but let me tell you, precious, that he sure is wild to see you, as is his wife. Mrs. Logan was telling me how much the doctor thinks of me & how is trying to help me out. You would never believe it.

Believe me, my precious wifie I'm hurrying all I possibly can to collect those kisses & hugs. Though it will be more than 30 days, don't forget I still hold you responsible for my precious jewell, your own good, pure, sweet self and when we meet again, I'm very doubtful if I ever permit your lips to get dry or cracked. You say you often feel that I have my arm about you. Sweetheart, it must be mental telepathy, for wherever I am, or go, or whatever I do, you are always with me, and I always think of how happy I would be if I held you in my arms as of yore. Sort, darling, I sure do yearn for you and can hardly restrain from kissing your picture, morning noon & night. Sweetheart, just take care of your self, be brave & courageous, and things will, with God's help, come out "exactly according to plan". I am taking care of myself, eat regularly & in the evening go to see someone or to a show, but always with you.

Will close now precious wifie mine, with all my love, my kisses & thoughts to you, my own precious jewell.

Everlovingly & longingly your own

Joy

Certainly was glad that you got your increase already. I am going to return the $20 some day, and will only consider the Masonic degree as a gift for I can't touch your money without a feeling of shame. Darling, buy yourself something, buy clothes, go out & enjoy yourself, and in the meantime I'll work hard to make a little living so that you can come down here.

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February 5, 1919. (Wednesday)

My own darling Toots:-

Just received your wonderful letter of Sunday and believe me, it certainly was welcome. Somehow, when I read your letters, I feel as if you are talking to me instead of writing, and that's why I often re-read your letters a number of times.

Certainly am glad you are not strictly following the rules as laid down by the hospital. You sleep over night whenever you desire regardless of the fact that the wonderful hospital wants you to return every night. How do wish I can be with you when you awaken. I never will forget the Sunday mornings when I was with you. I can assure you that I would be indeed happy when I can hold you in my arms, and you open your darling, wonderful eyes & then kiss me. Believe me! I sure do want it, and I am going to get it, if I can possibly help it, pretty soon.

I am sorry you couldn't wear the waist you made, as I do so want you to have as many nice waists & clothing as you can get. Of course, I'm glad that Edna got it, instead of any one else. Am glad, very glad, that she was promoted. Actually is a wonderful kid. I believe I like her so much because she loves you. When I get a chance, I'm going to write her a nice letter.

I am sorry that you didn't hear from the baby at the house, but anyway I hope she is feeling better. Yes, Toots, I always think of her home when my mind wanders and I begin figuring about your own home that I want to give you. Of course it won't be like hers right away, but as my practice increases, the more beautiful my home will be, even prettier that that Fisher's home. And, Oh! Tootsie, when I think of you and a "little one" waiting for me in our own little home, I feel so good! Just as if I had something that satisfies me. It's all right precious jewel mine, it will all come, and is not a far distance, either.

So Nell got $50! I thought her husband said that she wouldn't get anything, and when I said she could recover, he said I couldn't be a "company lawyer," as much as to say that he knew it all. It just goes to show the extent of his knowledge in law or, as a matter of fact in common sense. I remember well how Nellie insisted she was going to get more than $100.00 & I told you she would be lucky if she got $25.00. I can assume you she was lucky to get $50.00. Honey, I sure do hope you will be able to leave about the things she will leave, but I would much rather you didn't go with her, for I want you to come directly to Memphis, and by rail, so it wouldn't take so long before I see you. I want you to travel on the "Memphis Special" and hurry into my arms that are itching to hold you tightly.

I sure am glad that Mendel is getting on so wonderfully. $8 a week more is some money, too. I sincerely hope that he will always enjoy luck and prosperity. I wonder how little Helen is. I'd just love to see her and give her a bite.

So "dear little Sadie" assisted Barney! Isn't that just too lovely for anything? The "poor little soul" gave up so much of her pleasures to help some-one! I wonder how many people have heard of her "tremendous sacrifice"- By God, Fan, I sure do hate her. It is disagreeable for me to write such a thing, but I can't help it. I hate her for her silly tongue, her egotism and for her petty nature. Her disposition is so "sweet"_____ just like phenol. I still maintain what I once said. It won't be very long before her "charming personality" will wear off. I can't write any more about her. Please darling, don't take offense of what I just wrote. You know how I feel towards her, and you also know I have good cause to feel that way. As soon as I make another few cents I'll send you $1.61, to pay her, or rather Ely. Please don't write about her any more, as it always spoils the letter. I love to reread your letters previous mine, especially those in which she is not mentioned. You will do that for me, won't you, honey, for my peace of mind?

My own precious darling, if you could only see how I want you how I yearn for you! God! at times I feeling feel as if I can't stand it. I dread Sundays and the nights, the deep, black nights, with everybody asleep, nothing in motion & when the wind goes through the trees, it seems as if you are calling me. My heart becomes like lead, my eyes becomes teary and feel that I am about to drop. Lottie I'm terribly lonesome for you. I want your kisses, your hugs, your good cheer, your own true, dear, darling little self. Honey, I want you, I want you! The days are dreary, whether I make any money or not. My life seems empty and my mind often travels back to you, my sweetheart. Well, too, I had my little spasms and now once more must face reality. I am still at it, trying my best, and hoping you will soon be with me. Don't worry about my smoking, dear heart. Lolly is only teasing you. I don't get as many headaches, either; on the whole I'm feeling fine, with the exception of my loneliness.

I could look to Lolly; he certainly must have changed for the better and I sure do hope that I can get something good for him so that he can come down. I sincerely hope he will continue to be good. As for Fisher I'm still keeping in touch with the authorities. Hope I can get some sort of satisfaction.

Honey, do you know what my uncle said last night? He

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Thursday.

My own darling Toots, light of my life:-

I really don't know how to start this letter which is in answer to your Monday's letter, Feb. 3. Precious jewell, if ever you wrote a wonderful letter, this one I just received is a masterpiece! Honey, don't try and tell me that I think so simply I love you so much, but it is a wonderful letter. The way you express your thoughts, your composition, merely gives one a little (?) knowledge of your loveliness. Precious honey love I must admit that when it comes to letter writing, you are certainly supreme. When I read your letters, I mentally compare them with my own, and then I notice, how curt, prense and merely business-like, my letters are. Try as I might, I cannot write so wonderful a letter as you could, believe me! I reread your letter over & over again before I answered and sweetheart mine it made me supremely happy. I could just feel my arms about you, kissing you & hugging you, while you are telling me first what you wrote. Honie mine, you may rest assured, it takes ~~from~~ one letter to make me feel that way & elevates my feelings and my thoughts so! Oh, sweetheart mine, I loves just like you! I love you, sweetheart, my own dear, darling little wifie! Just to make you happy, that is my only desire in life. To take care of you, to love you until my dying day! To love you while we gracefully going through the trials and tribulations of life! How often I think of that, how often I ponder and dream of the time when the old adage will apply: "Whither thou goest, I will go, etc," of how in my joys you will be happy, in distress, you will uphold me, comfort me; of the time when our children, if we are so blessed, will love you, will obey you, will honor and respect you; and how I will sit next to you, smilingly watching and encircling you in my arms and whisper into your ears my own fond expressions of love and devotion! My own wifie, how I wish the time to come! How I wish and yearn for your sweet lips to kiss me; how I yearn for your words of consolation and comfort! It seems that it must be as you say, that "wish" is the only suitable word for the present, but my precious jewell, with God's help, I hope to have you here in April. To give you the home I promised you and as the Lord knows you deserve. Honie, whenever I speak of you, and tell anyone of your goodness, I know I'm not exagerating. It is the truth, and when you come here, you can believe me, you can hold your darling little head up higher than any woman in Memphis.

When I read about your pretties, a feeling came over me that I can hardly describe. So sacred, darling mine, so tender they must be held! I, darling, love them, not only because of their sacredness, but because I can remember when you made them,

of how you sewed them, with your tired little fingers, and the pure, precious thoughts that induced you to make them. Darling, I want you to take care of your pretties, especially of your wedding ones, for they are so sacred, so tender, so precious! And when you wear them once again, I want to be holding you tightly and snuggly in my arms, to kiss you to sleep and wish you "good-night and pleasant dreams, sweetheart." Ah, how dwish I could be saying that now, but, Toots, the time will come and we will be happy with each other forever and ever.

Toots, I too thought I loved you; but, now!, sweetheart, my sweetheart, not only do I love you a thousand fold more, not only do I worship you, and the ground you tread over, but I feel that you are my life, you are my soul, my thought, you are my all! I really believe that our separation does show us how much we love each other. My own wifie! I am happy in your love, happy in the thought that you love me, and, honey, you have shown me, time and time again, how much you love me. Can I help but try my best, when I have so noble a woman to bear my name? Can I overlook the fact that if God ever created a pure, sweet, lovely little angel, she made my wife? No, my Toots, everything I do, I say, or wherever I go, I do, or go, with you. For you are always with me, for in my heart, on a pedestal of love, a little angel sits, holding the reins to my soul and my thoughts, guiding me in my movements, consoling me in my lonesomeness, and comforting me when I feel depressed. That little angel is you, my precious jewell, you it is who sits in my heart, taking care of me, not only for the present and the past but for all time. And when another little angel comes to me, one who will also be so pure, good & true, you will hold it in your arms, kissing it, taking care of it and finding a new fire of love, love for our own flesh and blood, and Oh, darling mine, how happy I will be to see you fondling it, to hear it call you by the holiest of names "mother" and see it grow day by day, looking into your dear, tender eyes, and then reach manhood or womanhood. Toots, I do yearn for it, for I know that, please God, we will be happy together.

Well my jewell, I am certainly glad that mondear is getting on well. I was so worried because I didn't get any mail from her. Please see to it, won't you, dear, that she writes, and that she will also have a letter written to my uncle, for he is always talking about her. As for Rae, I sure do hope she gets a good fellow, much better than you got, for darling, believe me, no matter how good I'll try to be, I'll never be so worthy of you, for Toots, I really am insignificant, but I'll try, and try unto you,

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hard to be at least a little worthy of you, you wonderful, noble wife! I'll always try my best so that you will never regret your step in marrying me, for I love you, precious Toots, I love you, my own pond! Toots, it is because you love me so much that you say I have been such a good husband. Darling mine, I'll never do anything to hurt you, I will love you always, I will take care of you and make you happy. The time will soon come, precious, when I will be able to show you.

I am sorry dear heart that I wasn't more intimate with the Frohens, but Toots, you be intimate with them, and I'll be just as happy. They are a wonderful little family and if it is within my power, I'll make you as happy, if not not happier than they. As for the J. family, that is H. & K. I needn't take up any time with them, for I want to speak to my darling little wifie on other matters more important and more endearing. The same would apply to Levi. I wrote to Sgt. Lane about Harding and he answered, stating that he will communicate Harding and advise me.

Toots before I go further, if the bill giving disabled soldiers $50, does pass, it wouldn't apply to me, for I am not disabled, merely released from active duty.

Under separate cover, I am sending you a magazine published here. Where I marked off the article with a blue pencil, I want you to read it, for that judge is the one who advised me to go out for myself. The dentist is from the Shriners, where my uncle belongs. He asked me to send it to you. Darling, supposing you write to him, you know at 137 So. Main thanking him for all he has done. Will you please? He is wild about you, and every day asks for you. I just got the carpet & chairs & table for my reception room. It sure does look good now. The whole office is much prettier. My uncle told Solomon to-day to go down and get the stuff. Don't you think he is wonderful now? He and I are going up to the Golds as soon as the Rabbi gets back. Effect him back in a few days.

As for myself, honey, I need not tell you how I yearn for you and long for you, for you know how I want you and I want you terribly, too. I didn't do anything to-day; it was rather a quiet day, but I still have confidence in myself. My health is alright, though I get an occasional reminder of old times, a "sweet little" headache, but they don't come and go often. I am taking care of myself as much as I can. I still go around meeting people, and am making lots of new friends and renewing old ones. To-night my application for the Masons goes in, and ~~this~~ in 30 days I reckon they will vote on it. You see, it takes 30 days to investigate my moral character. Don't ever mention this to anyone, but I was told that the doctor & myself, out of the 3 will probably go in, for they are all dead against the druggist; they are going to black-ball him.

Mr. & Mrs. Lazar are sending their best wishes, regards and love to you. The doctor said he was going to write to you Monday, but he was quite busy and will write in a day or two.

Darling mine, I'm glad you are taking care of your little foot, for I want you to have no trouble with it and again, it's my property. I'll take care of myself, darling mine, don't worry.

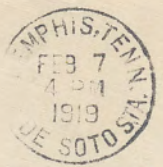
Honey bunch, probably Sunday I'll try and write a big, big letter, the boyful I promised you, and will write of all the little things that I didn't write heretofore. And honey, I'll always call you, and write you by endearing terms, for when I write them, I feel like calling you, and they somehow express my emotion. Sweetheart, they are not empty, meaningless things, but when I so address you, it comes from my heart.

Loving sweetheart mine, it getting late, it's after 4 P.M., and the mail should leave on the 5:20 train to-night, and as I want to catch that train, so you will have it on time, I'll draw to a close, wishing you my precious jewell, my dearest, most wonderful wife, my sweetheart forever, a good night, pleasant dreams, kisses & hugs and tender thoughts, all that is within me to give, Ever lovingly, longingly & yearningly

Your own

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My sweetest Pet:-

Just received your darling letter of the 4th Tuesday and was happy to read on the envelope that you had just received my Sunday letter. I certainly am glad to hear that your dad is working already. I am sure that if you were here now, he would come down, too. Perhaps he might, some day.

Toots mine, yesterday my application to join the Masonic Lodge went in and it takes 30 days for them to pass on it & then take a vote. I feel that I will be rejected on a black-ball which I am sure will be cast by Bernatsky's nephew and prospective son-in-law, and I will tell you why. Last night was the meeting, besides passing new members, to vote on those who were already investigated and Bernatsky, who was among the latter was black-balled, and therefore rejected. His nephew, who is a 32nd degree Mason, and who by the way was proposed and got in entirely through my uncle blame my uncle for Bernatsky's rejection, and therefore, to get even, I believe ~~he~~ he will black-ball me. That simply shows you what the Bernatsky bunch is and what they are likely to do. Believe me, sweetheart, if I am black-balled, I'll not take it to heart, but will keep on just the same, trying my best to earn a living and bring you here. Of course I may be wrong in my deductions, but I believe I am right. I am telling you this because if it does occur, you should not be surprised.

As for my general health, you have no need to worry. Dr. Lazear says there are no puffs under my eyes now that I have given up coffee, and as to smoking, I am moderate in that, too. Do you see, Toots, it's only I am lonesome that bothers me. Business has kind of slowed up. Haven't done a thing yesterday or to-day. Hope things take a turn. I am so anxious to have you here! If I could only see you! Well, the time will come, and come soon, I am sure.

As for fixing up a home, precious, I want to tell you that I will not live in a furnished room with you. Dr. Lazear emphasize the fact that it's no good. Just to show you, if we do go into light housekeeping, it would cost us $27.00 a month, at least and a few more dollars, I have my own home. Toots, leave it to me. If you

want, I'll fix up a little home, moderately furnished, for you, so that you can come down sooner, and then, [when] I am more firmly established, we can get things as you suggested. You see, while we are about it, we may as well go about it in the right way. You and I could never be comfortable in a furnished flat, for I myself hate it. If Mondean would give me that set, I could have it, for the time being, as parlor, or living room set, then all we would need is a bed-room set, and some furniture for the kitchen. If that would suit you, precious, and if we got the furniture from Mondean, I'm pretty certain you could be here in April. I think, Lots, if you will consider it my way, you will find it will come out fine. I to get the furniture and fix up a place as best as I know how, and then when you come, fix it up as you like. Don't you think so darling? Mrs. Lazear advised me to get 3 rooms for the beginning, so you see if I do that, and then after you are here, will will look for a better place or, perhaps my present will be on a sound foundation by that time, we will move & buy new furniture. Just tell me what kind of a bed-room set you want, single or twin beds; also what kind of living set you want, and then the kitchen set, which can consist of a few chairs, a table and a cabinet.

As to the indictment the $5 I received from my client is all on account. As soon as the fellow is brought down, I'll get some more. The divorce cases haven't turned up yet, but perhaps they will for my uncle & another fellow, a nigger, are trying to get them to take it up.

Well precious, I'm pretty blue. I didn't do anything for 2 days, afraid of rejection in the Masons and oh, missing you so much! I sure do wish I had you here. Often times I say to myself, I must call for you, now, but I think it over, and then I see it is quite impossible, so I go on thinking and hoping for you to be here in April. Darling, I want you! Everything is so black. I'm so lonesome, and oh, how I wish I can lay my head on your lap and go to sleep. I'm at it again, Lots, but don't blame me.

Will close now, my precious, dear, darling wifie, light of my life, with all my love, kisses, hugs & thoughts

Your ever lovingly and terribly lonesome

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Saturday.

My own precious Toots:-

Just received your darling letter of Wednesday, the 5th and honey I sure did want to kiss you and hug you after I read it. Sweetheart, I know how much you love, how much you miss, and how you would want to be with me, but the peculiar part of it is, I love it when you tell me how much you love me, for it makes me feel so happy. Honey darling, we sure must have met before we did because I, too, feel that I known you long, long before we met and sort of believing in reincarnation, perhaps we were married and lived happily ages and ages ago. Sweetheart Toots, if I could only see a little money coming in steadily now, I would send for you, so that you can give your tired little self a rest and I could give you a comfortable home, but, my own sweet little wifie, keep on being brave and courageous, don't cry over my absence and just keep in mind that I am trying my best for you to soon come down. My precious jewell, if I could only kiss, just hug you and hug you for all times! Wouldn't I be happy! Anyway, honey, let's hope and pray for the time to soon come around, as I am sure it will come, please God, for as you said, there are only you and I in our little world. You always in my thoughts, day and night, and I in yours, as I always wanted it to be, forget, sweetheart mine, be brave and courageous, don't grieve, and go out and enjoy yourself as much as you can. Don't worry about your lonesome hubby, for he is taking care of himself as best as he can. Only hope, precious, that my practice will permit me calling for you. As it is, it is growing, little by little. Even as I am writing, pleased a man came in who wants me to take care of a little case. He said he would call and see me sometime this after-noon. Hope he does, maybe I'll make a 5 spot. Yes, my precious, since the 6th, I made a 5 spot. I wrote you about that, didn't I? It came just the way I hope it comes this afternoon. Unexpectedly, and just as I begin to write you, so you see, darling wifie mine, that you are my fortune, my guiding angel, for everytime I write to you, something turns up, and who can wonder, when I have such a precious jewell who is my wifie. Since this man just came in, I feel kind of hoppy. Only hope he turns up this afternoon. If he does, I will let you know in to-morrow's letter. That negro hasn't as yet shown up, but another fellow, a nigger, is trading him and said he wasn't go to rest until that nigger comes up and gives me the coal. Mr. Goodman is still treating me royally. Haven't rent anyone up yet, but I expect he will as soon as anything turns up.

My precious, I'm so sorry you couldn't go up to Ray's Tuesday, but hope you went there Wednesday, for I know I happy you are when you

go there. She sure is a wonderful little woman, and I can assure you, I'll never forget her or Mendel. It still comes to mind how Mendel came over to me and asked me if I had any money, and when I hear that he is getting along so nicely, I feel as if I were the one crowned. Please give them my best wishes and to Mendel my congratulations on his obtaining so good a position. I sure do wish a wonderfully good proposition for him turns up here, so he could come. And my little niece Helen? How is she? I'll bet she sure is pretty. Would just love to see her.

As to your dad, I'm glad he is working, but if ever he should be out of work and in desperate need of it just let me know, and I'll see to it that he gets a job. He won't have to remain idle an hour once he is here.

Sootsie, I don't understand your letter where it says I wrote I didn't receive your Money order on Monday. I saved it on the 4th, and that is Tuesday. I got it on time alright and now my application is being acted upon. I wrote yesterday about it.

I am glad to hear that Sue & the baby are alright now. Please, Sootsie, go up to see them, and take Rose along. Enjoy yourself, my sweetheart.

Light of my life, I don't know what to do about the furniture. When you get here, I must have a home fixed up for you. I can't, sweetheart, I can't take you to a furnished apartment and Sootsie, I hope you will understand my hatred for a furnished suite. I'll just buy a little furniture. Just tell me what kind, and you'll see you will be satisfied. I do so wish that you should pick out the fixings, but I won't send for you until I fix up a home, and in that one, I'll have to pick out the furniture.

I will close now my own sweetheart darling, my own soul, my staff of life, with all my love, Kisses and hugs and with hope and prayers for your quick arrival,

Ever loving, longingly and yearningly Your own

Joy.

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Sunday

My own darling wifie:-

I had intended writing the book full I promised, but I got up very late this morning, it now being 12:10 noon hour, and the last mail collected at 1:15 P.M, I thought it best to at least let you have some letter on Tuesday, big or little, but you can expect that big, big letter in the near future.

Well, precious mine, that man came up yesterday afternoon. There is nothing to the case so I charged him $5.00. He didn't like it with him & said if $2.50/100 would be alright as a retainer, he could let me have that; of course I took it and to-morrow I expect to get the balance. It isn't the money value of the case so much as it was the sign that they saw, that pleases me so much. This fellow said he was walking down Court Square & saw my sign & came up. What do you think of that? He brought his boss along and he, the boss said "Mr. Freedman, I like the way you talk and the way you do things. Hereafter, I am going to use you and I believe I can give you a case Monday." That time made me happy. I only want to show him that there really is something to me. You see, he is a brother of a former judge. Isn't so bad, is it? Can you imagine the pleasure I would have if you were here and I came home & told it to you!

Sweetheart mine, I really didn't want to get up this morning. I was laying in bed, dreaming of you, oh, so much. The whole thing it felt as if I had you in my arms, kissing you and hugging you. While thinking of you this morning, I began thinking of your letter. I know there is one day. ~~Tuesday~~ Monday I only got your Saturday's letter, and I don't know when the letter is supposed to have gotten in Sunday, if there was a delivery. Maybe I'm wrong, but I thought that one day I was to get 2 letters because there is no delivery on Sunday. Isn't that right? Anyway, I was so happy last week because I got a letter every day. You see, yesterday ~~I should have got~~ received Wednesday's letter to-day, if there was mail I should receive Thursday's, but as there is no mail I should get it to-morrow with Friday's letter. Understand? That's the way I figured it out before & felt sure I was one letter shy. Your letters are so welcome, I hold them so precious, that I hate to miss a single one.

Lootsie last night it snowed terribly hard, that is for Memphis. Jane was glad I had rubbers. I wore them last night and am wearing them to-day. Though the snow is on the ground, it's a regular summer's day. All along we had wonderful weather and yesterday it had to go and snow, now what do you think of that?

Well, my precious little jewell, how is your foot getting on? You don't tell me anything about it. Don't forget, Lootsie, take care of my property. If you were only here, believe me, I'd show you how I'd take care of you, my precious darling little wifie! At times, sweetheart, I feel as if I can't do without you. I long so much for you! I just love to be able to kiss you, hug you and love you. I love you without a minute's rest. Love you to-day dying day. If I could take you out to-day! Take you for a ride to a show, anywhere I can, I sure would be happy. To-day is Sunday. What am I going to do all day? Nothing. Walk along, take in a show, get blue and depressed, wishing you were there with me —— oh, darling mine, do you wonder I get depressed and dread Sunday? Don't you care, honey, you will soon be here. Let me know Lootsie, how you are feeling, and please, darling, don't work too hard, and go out and enjoy yourself.

Well close now, sweetest of the sweet, my own darling little wifie, with all my love, kisses & hugs,

Your Ever lovingly, longingly & terribly lonesome

Hubby Jack

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Monday.

My dearest, precious Jewell:-

Just received your Friday's and Thursday's letter, and Toots now I feel dam right, for last Monday I only received one letter instead of 2, but anyway, sweetheart, no matter how small your letter, remember, it is more than welcome.

My precious baby, don't think for a moment that I wanted to hurt you when I wrote I would return your money. The gift, sweetheart, is the getting into the mason's and not the money itself, so that's why, love, dear, I want to return the money. My own precious Toots, how I do love you for your sweet nature and disposition! Just to give your sweet lips a good kiss would sure please me. Oh, girlie, when I have you cuddled up in my arms, and your lips meet mine, I sure will make up for lost time so much that you will have to tell me to stop, but believe me, precious, there will be no stop. Don't worry, sweetheart, your lips will get its cure when we meet again. But Toots, please do me a favor and go out and enjoy yourself. When I read how you are making a little hermit of yourself, it hurts me, for I know that I gave you very little of a good time when I was there, and now that circumstances are so different and so much better, I want you to take advantage of it and have a good time, always with the thought that I want it done, and that a better time awaits you when you come here. Will you do that for me? Please, precious, do!

I certainly am glad that Ray & Mendel are having a nice time now with baby. I sure do wish I could see her. Honey, go out with all at any time you can, for I want you to enjoy yourself. Don't make mental picture of what sort of playhouses are in Astoria, but just go, and dam sure you will enjoy yourself with Ray.

Toots, I want you to attend the entertainment the hospital is giving. I suppose by now it is all over, but I sure do hope you went and had a good time. Did you, sweetheart?

Darling mine, the office is fixed up. Have a nice carpet, little table and a few chairs in the reception room and let me tell you, it sure does look pretty. I must still get a carpet for my private office and a desk lamp. That will all come when the money starts coming in. As for business itself, it is picking up. Even

if I don't get a case or money there are people coming up to see me. That's why I am happy. People are beginning to know I am here and eventually I will build up a big practice. Lootsie, it can't come too soon, for I miss you! Lord, how I miss you. Ye, you, and only you. If I could only give your sweet little nose a bite, if I just ____. Well, Lootsie, the way I feel now, you wouldn't have a nose. I would have it. Sweetheart, I don't think you will need the services of a lawyer, for I am trying my best to take care of myself. I'm feeling fine in health. Thank God, had few headaches, but, oh how lonesome! Believe me, even if I searched the whole world, I couldn't get a girl that is as lovely, as pretty, as good, pure and sweet as you are, my own precious Lorie, so don't think for a moment that I don't miss you.

The doctor still maintains that you had a splinter in your eye, but still (this is for the swap) he says he sure is anxious to see you. Always remarks how wonderful you are and often expresses hope that my practice will permit you to come down. Toots, he sure is a fine fellow.

I just got a letter from Mowdean. She has been sick and I didn't know. Been sick for a whole week. Darling, go and see her whenever you can, for she sure does love you.

And now, wifie darling, how are you feeling? How is your darling little foot? And your precious sweet little self? Are you still taking care of them? Don't forget honey to take care of yourself, my own precious jewell, or I'll sue you for damages. Don't forget now. And how are you getting on at the hospital? Honeybunch, don't work too hard, but take things easy, take things as they come and always be prepared to come down.

Will close now, my darling Lorie, my guardian angel, with all my love to my beloved wifie, the dearest, prettiest, lovliest wife in all the world,

Your Ever lovingly and lonesome hubby

Joy

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Tuesday.

Precious Sweetheart:-

Just received your Saturday's letter after giving up hope for one to-day, and sweetheart mine, I didn't know what to do after I read of your suffering. I paced up and down, calling your darling name, kissing you, hugging you, comforting you, and oh, what not, but yet so sharply reminded that you were not here, that you were 40 hours travel from me, that I must do all in my power to bring you to me. My own dear love, please don't take on so. Be brave and courageous, think optimistic, and remember, light of my life, I'm yearning for my own soul mate, my own darling sweet wife. I readily realize the torture you are going through, but, darling, it has to be, so make up your precious mind that everything will come in time and you will be happy forever after. Don't grieve over my absence, don't cry, for I don't want you to spoil your precious eyes, but continue thinking of me, continue having me in your mind all the time, for honey precious, I'm all yours, heart, body and soul. Always you are in my thoughts. Every morning, as soon as I come in I kiss you, during the day I kiss you, and when I leave, I give you a good-night kissing and wish you pleasant dreams. How do I do it? Simply by holding your picture, kissing it, hugging it and talking to it, for I feel that you are here personally and I'm doing it to you. So, dearest, be cheerful, take good care of yourself, for you are dearer and more precious to me than life itself. Always remember that I love you, love you more than any decent man can love, his all his most precious gift, his blessing, a pure, good, sweet, loving wife. If I could but show you! In my mind's eye, I had you nestled, oh, so snugly, in my arms, kissing you, kissing your precious lips, you darling eyes, and whispering words of love. Honey mine, it won't be long, it can't be long before you are with me, for little by little my practice is going up, whereas I can make a legitimate dollar, I make it and I feel that in time I will be able to support you in a style I want to. Honey, I just finished a 10 minute rest. Had to stop and dream of you. Thought of how happy we will be in our own, comfy little home! Darling, my own sweetheart darling, how I yearn and long for you! But, Look, don't worry, the time will come. Just think, love dear, it's only one month ago only since I've been away, and oh how I yearn for you! Sweetheart I just love you for your companionship, you darling Toots, the best comrade. Hope to-morrow I get your big letter and make believe I won't be happy!

Well precious, how did you find Caroline Klein? Is she looking fine? I well remember how dog-gone near I came missing

you at the ferry. If I did, I don't think I'd ever have any thing to do with her. Tootsie, have you heard from Ada yet? You can't tell me that so good a little sister as she is, always gets everything anyway, so that's why you, darling, can get anything she has. Hemy me is some kid! I certainly am glad that he was happy with the quarter I sent him. As to mom, I felt happy that she was in good spirits Friday night, for I am worried about her. I sure do hope I can at least make enough to support you and then I'll look after her.

Tootsie, how are you feeling in general? About this time you generally become unwell. Has it come? Precious wifie mine, if it has, for my sake, lovie, don't work hard. Take it easy, very easy, for I feel sure you will suffer, and suffer a good deal, on account of your grieving so much. It generally is the case when you are suffering from something. You'll do as I ask, won't you, darling mine? Please, please, do. Take good care of yourself, for I worry over you. I think you are suffering now with it, but you won't tell me. Don't forget, sweetheart, for I, your lonesome, longing, loving husband asks you to.

As for me, there isn't much to write about. Still plugging along, getting a little case here and there, going around in the evenings and making friends. I believe I'm getting nicely established, and feel it won't be long before I call for you. As yet the money hasn't come in, but little by little, dearest, it will come, and come in bundles.

Will close now, my own, with all my love, kisses, hugs and thoughts to my own sweetheart wifie who I am yearning and longing for,

Your ever loving and lonesome hubby,

Joe

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Wednesday

My own Precious Wife:-

Thank you, darling, for your lovely big letter of Monday, and Toots, let me tell you again, you sure have some writer and to be satisfied I read and reread it again. It certainly does make me feel good. When I read that you felt so much better than the day before, I felt cootied for I was worried a great deal, I must admit, when you wrote you weren't feeling so well. Toots, before I go further, you have forgiven me for not writing that boosting I promised, haven't you Toots? You know that I would have written it had I the time, but soon, precious, very soon I'll write it.

Love, dear, you ask if I will always love you, if I will always be so sweet and tender and gentle. Precious, haven't I always done as I said I would? If I felt hurt, didn't you know, if I had happiness and love, didn't I always let you know? Sweetheart mine, let me assure you that towards you, God knows, I hold all that love can give. I love you, precious, love you with all my heart, love you now, always did and Lovie dear, my light of my life, will always love you and pray to the Almighty that when the golden sun, after its term of duty is done, sets, gently and amid its glorious beam, that you and I sit, side by side, loving each other as of old, your own precious lips close to mine, your own darling sweet self snugly nestled in my arms. Honey dear I always dream of such things. I dream of how I will make you happy. I dream of the time when you will be here in our own little home, with your reigning supreme. Happy, honey? Love, I know, with you loving me, assisting me and taking care of me, I will be a success, for honey mine, who is there that has so wonderful a little wife? Who is there that has suffered so much so that he who is hardly worthy of her, should succeed? Sweetheart, there isn't a man in the world who is so blessed as I am. Words of you? No, Toots, each day I feel how small I am compared to you. Each day I realize how wonderful you are, how great your intelligence is, how gentle and gracious your nature is, for these are the reasons of your sweetness, of your self possession, of love. How can I be jury, so selfish, hold up my head as high as yours? Honey, it is impossible for me to give vent to my emotions on paper, but always remember, my love, that always will I love you; always will I worship you; always will I be sincere and considerate; if I can be gentle, sweetheart mine, believe me, I'll be that, for love I adore you, worship you and yearn for you. Darling mine, my dreams are of you, of the time that soon will come when you will be here, making me happy, being happy yourself and Love dear, when, with God's help, you come out of the Valley of the Unknown and bring forth a little one! Oh, sweetheart, sweetheart, how I wish the time to come! How I miss you, how I yearn for you, how I long for you! How I want to show you that all I have ever written, or said, is not in vain! I want to show you, my precious jewel that my words are not empty, that they possess the meanings I want to convey. I want to try and be as you want me to be, to be as good as you want me to be and Lovie, if we are blessed with a little son I would be supremely happy. Even, darling mine, if we are blessed with a little girl I would be just as supremely happy; for then I would be blessed with a creature of God's own blessing, my darling

wife's own girlie. In other words, sweetheart, I will be just as pleased to have a girl as a boy, so long as God blesses me with children, blesses ~~me~~ me with that which will make you so happy, and I know how happy you will be if it's a boy, for I now know how much you loved my daddy, and believe me if he could only have known how much you loved him, I am sure he would be happy. Honey mine, it won't be long before you are here with me. I am trying my best to build up a practice so that I can take care of you and properly provide for you. Oftentimes when I do anything, I must stop and have a good think of you, then I can proceed with my work. Honey love, I am terribly lonesome, I want you, I want you! The best thing that I do on Sunday is to think of you, and when I begin talking to your picture, I feel as if I would love to cry. Just last Sunday, I wanted to telegraph to you to come, but then I realized how impossible that was, so I consoled myself with the thought that soon, darling, soon God will help me to call for you.

Well sweetheart, only you and I are a little wonder the way you are getting mom to stop grieving. I only hope you succeed for I am sure that that is the reason for her illness, and then when the rheumatism comes on, she sure must suffer. Flore certainly has a great influence over mom, and I hope that when you two get after Mondeau that way, she will stop. Of course, no one can blame Mondeau, for she really is the only one who knows what pop lost when pop dear died. Believe me honey, I sure will try and be as good and faithful as pop dear was. I will never forget how he used to talk of you. He sure did love you, and I will never forget his death-bed. Oh Boots how wonderful you were! Only your father-in-law, but you sure did love him, didn't you?

As for Carrie, I am glad that you had her come down and see you. At least, it gave you a little change. Do you think it possible for her to get your job after you leave? If so, she wants to hang around here for shortly you are going to leave. Yes sweetheart, the quiet life and you are for me. No taking you around the world, giving you pain and anguish! No ma'am. As you said, that kind of life may be thrilling and interesting for her and hers, but not for us. You know what we want, don't you, Toots?

I am glad that you are going to it that lots of people come to visit Mondeau. I feel sure that that will change Mondeau a great deal, and honey, though I am glad that you are having it so nice down at the dispensary, still I would want you to go out more often. Enjoy yourself more and take in everything you can. Don't work too hard, take it easy and don't take any nonsense from Swallow or anyone there.

Precious wifie mine, I am sorry I hurt you when I wrote about your sister. Love dear, don't let's speak of it any more. I don't want to write about her now but when you come down, we'll talk it over, and you will see I'm right. As you say, honey, I don't want to feel that way to any one in the family, so we will refrain from writing about your sister Sadie.

Darling mine, as for me, I haven't much to say. Business is still going on. Have a few cases pending, but as yet, haven't taken in any more money than I wrote you about, but here is a peculiar, or rather

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funny incident. I was in the drug store & always wrote about, the one ~~of~~ which the proprietor is a very good friend of mine, and in walks a fellow who is a friend of this man Pinsten, the proprietor, and says "Mr. Freedman, I want to ask you something and I don't want you to turn me down. I want you give me lessons in English; that is enough so I'll be able to read a newspaper and write a check or two." This came as a surprise, but I considered it, and figured that there was a clean dollar in it, so I told him I didn't have much time, but in that my darling wife was away, and I had practically the whole night to myself I could spare an hour every other night, so tomorrow I'll know if he wants to take it up. If he does, I'm going to charge him $10 a month. What do you think of that? Again, I don't know whether or not I wrote about it, but I put in my application for a Notary Public, and if I get that, it will probably me $10 or $15 a week out of that, so you'll perceive, anything to make a dollar. Mr. Lazar always hammers at me that "it will come" meaning business. And know, I'm after it, and it won't come too soon for me. There are a few cases that I have for Mr. Lazar, that I am about to settle, and when I do, it will mean a few more dollars for me. Last night my uncle told me he met a fellow who used to room with me. This boy Cleve, owes me $5 and as soon as I see him, I believe I'll get it, if Cleve hasn't ~~to~~ got it, for I once told Cleve to get it for me & send it to me when I was still in the service. By the way, I was told that Cleve has been offered a superintendency of a orphan asylum in Atlanta, at the salary of $1800.00 a year. I don't know how true that is, though. Lazar was telling me he'd never hold it for he is terribly unsettled. This Cleve has a very wide acquaintanceship and also used to work for the Illinois Central Railroad Co., here in Memphis. When I see him, and he tells me he is still working for the railroad, I am going to tell him about Polly and see if he can get in. Another one I met to-day was Herman Goldberg's brother. That's some family, Lots.

Precious, how do you like my new stationary? I think it looks neat, don't you? They turn out wonderful letters on the typewriter. This work was done by a nigger. As soon as I need new printing done, I'm going to get a letter class of work, believe me.

Precious, how are you feeling? How are you in general? And your darling little foot? Is it still bothering you? Please, darling take care of it. Take care of your darling self, always love me and continue thinking of me. Don't worry, darling, the time will soon come when you will be here with me and we will be happy.

Must close now my love with all my love, kisses, hugs and thoughts to you, my darling, my own sweet, precious jewel, my darling little wife,

Ever lovingly and longingly

Joy.

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Wednesday.

My precious Lovie Dear:-

Just received your darling letter of Monday and was glad you read the magazine I sent.

Sweetheart don't worry about the Masonic lodge affair. If I am black-balled, I will be able to apply again, if I care to, after 12 months has elapsed, anyway, there is no use worrying over it. I will have to wait the 30 days for at the end of that time, they vote on my application. Don't think any more about it, honey. To tell you the truth I am more interested in being a Notary Public than a Mason. I will have to wait until April before I hear about that.

Toots, how can I help but be blue when things like that happen. It seems you can't trust anybody. Do you remember, Toots, I asked Leve if he collected $5 for me from a fellow named Cleve Brodofsky? I told you in one of my previous letter that this Cleve is in town and when I see him, I'm sure I'll get that $5 from him. Well, I saw him last night and he said he paid Leve the $5 the very day Leve showed him my letter in which I asked for the money. Leve told, and even wrote me, that he didn't even see this Cleve, and here he was rooming with him. What do you think of that? Honey, take it from me, I'll never have anything to do with Leve for the rest of my life. Things like that are what made me so blue. Imagine, just imagine, he phoned do it to me, one with him he roomed, and how often did I help him! Well, no use, I've learned my lesson. As you say, "my life is still mine"

As to the furniture, dearest, I'm at a loss. Toots, I tell you again, that I won't send for you until I have a home fixed up, no matter how small it is. Tootsi, I love you too much, yearn for you too much, miss you too much to disappoint you. The first thing I will do is to fix up a home and then send for you. Dearest, I do know how you women love to pick out the furniture, but I feel I can get a nice suite of furniture that you will like, and that will be for the beginning; for instance, they have a set like the Fisher, or rather something like it 3 pieces, for $99.00, it supposedly ivory; now, if we have a set like that for the bedroom, mine furniture and the few things for the kitchen, we have a nice start, and after things are coming along nicely, we can use that bedroom furniture for a spare room, and then buy other furniture which you will pick out. Doesn't that sound reasonable? But, Tootsi, you let me know shortly, in the next letter, what you want.

Tootsie mine, I love to talk about the furniture, for it makes the time go near. Before I forget, when I buy the furniture, I am going to buy it on time, as there is no discount for cash, and everybody else buys on time. See? Then my uncle insists that I begin figuring to bring you here right soon. Insists that if I make $20 or $25 a week

he'll make arrangement for me (2) to get your fare, if I haven't it saved up by that time, so that you can soon come down.

Business is picking up, Toots, little by little but its awfully slow. I am sure that within 6 mos., I'll be pretty firmly on my feet, but don't worry, sweetheart, that doesn't mean that we will be separated that long, not if I can help it, anyway. As Lt. Rajan keeps on saying, "it will come, it will come." Don't get discouraged Toots, you hear? Your letter of Monday seems to be tinged with a little discouragement. Darling mine, keep up being brave and courageous. The time isn't very far off, darling, before you are once again in my aching arms.

As for my general health don't worry. I'm getting as well as I can under the circumstances, but of course terribly, terribly lonesome for you. Sweetheart mine, if I could only kiss you, to feel your darling arms around my neck, to get your hug! Oh, Toots, I do miss them, believe me, I do, and you will appreciate them when I get them.

Cheer up, darling wifie mine, be brave, the time will soon come and darling, only then we will be happy, won't we? The reason I write you when I feel blue is because your words of love, of encouragement, of consolation, cheer me up so, but I don't come to write about for fear it would depress you, but you know you are right, I must tell you these things, for you are the only one in the world that can make me happy.

Toots dear, I love you, I love you, I love you. I love you more each day, love you that I can hardly keep my patience to wait until you come. Precious, I too am trying my hardest to have you here in April.

Will close now, precious, with all my love, kisses and hugs to my dearest, darlingest, precious jewel of a wifie,

Ever lovingly and longingly,

Joe

Am answering your letter to my wife on the typewriter so that he can read it.

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Friday.

Darling Wifie mine:-

Your sweet little letter of Tuesday has just reached me, and Dovie dear, I am glad you agree with me when I wrote about me having the home fixed up for you when you come. Sweetheart, I couldn't imagine myself stacking you to a furnished flat and again precious, your hubby is going to give you as comfy a little home, in the beginning as he possibly can. Toots, I was extremely glad to read that you wanted that ivory bed-room set for in yesterdays letter, I wrote about a set that I saw. A set like that, after all runs does make the room very dainty. Yes, my own, as soon as I am ready, I am going to fit up a home, and then call for its Queen, my own precious Dovie.

Sweetheart, I don't know what to say about your vacation. If I am able by April 1st to call for you, you will come, and have your teeth fixed here. If it's only your teeth that is bothering you, don't worry, for there are plenty of good dentists here. As for your clothes, darling, I will notify you when you leave New York, and for a week or two you will sew all you need to and then come. That is the only solution I can give, but, Toots, don't let that worry you, for you will come here regardless of anything, when the time comes.

Now Tootsie, I have some good news for you. I got $10 last night from that student I wrote you about. He is just tickled that I am teaching him. Everytime I see him, he says "Mr. Freedman, I know I'll get on with you." He doesn't know how happy I am that he thinks so much of me. After he gave me the $10, he gave me a case for naturalization papers for him. I told him it would cost him $15 for that, and without another word, turned it over to me. So you see, from giving him lessons, I got a law suit from him, and he has promised to bring up another man who is in some sort of trouble. What do you think of that precious? Good, isn't it? My finances sure were very low, and that money came in dog-gone handy.

Yesterday, I saw the Dean of the school. Asked for you, and then when I got back to the office, he sent a man specially to see me and gave me an admission card to the Y.M.C.A. for 3 months regular membership privileges, free. This because I have been in the service.

Toots, I sure am happy this morning. Made some money last night and got a sweet little letter from my darling wifie. Toots, if you were only here to share my joy! Honey, all I do is think of you, think of the time when you will be here with me, in our own comfy little home. Love dear, I sure do miss you, yearn for you and long for you. Often times I dream of our little home, how cozy and wonderful, and how you are ruling supreme, happy and contented, humming and singing the live-long day, and of how when I come home, you kiss me, put your darling arms around my neck, and hug me! Oh, precious mine, you don't know how I want you. Sure me the time is not far off before I will have you here with me and take care of you as I always wanted. Tootsie darling, every morning, I kiss your picture, at noon I kiss it, and at night I kiss it

and wish you good night and pleasant dreams. Honey love, I love you, I love you, I love you! How I worship you, how I adore, ~~adly~~ you know, you know, sweetheart, don't you? You know that every single blessed word I utter, is meant, and wholeheartedly, too, don't you? Sweetheart mine, continue believing it is me and keep on being brave and courageous.

How are you feeling darling? How is your darling little foot? Do take care of yourself and remember to take good care of my precious jewel, your own darling self.

I will close now, love heart with all my love, kisses and hugs to my own sweetheart darling wifie,

Ever lovingly and longingly yours

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Saturday

My darling little Tootsie:-

Just received your darling letter of Wednesday, Lincoln's Birthday and Toots it sure was some sweet little epistle. I am sorry you didn't get a letter on that date. You see here we didn't recognize Lincoln's Birthday, but they say that next year it will be celebrated. Anyway, so long as you get 2 letters the next day, its all right. Mondays are gala days for me as I receive your Thursdays and Fridays' mail. It sure is different nowadays with the mail. Before it used to take 2 days for a letter, now its 3 days, mostly 4 or nearly all the time, 4 days. The mail seems to be coming along regularly, so I have no kick coming. Before I forget, if I get up early to-morrow I'll write that Foot's ful. I always make up my mind to write it and then something turns up, but I hope to-morrow morning will be my own so I can be with you Sunday morning.

Honey love, I was glad to read that your Tootsie is getting along nicely, but sweetheart, don't be in a hurry about taking off that support. As you know, you will suffer a great deal from bone spurs, so take all your time about putting them on. Remember, dove, I am holding you strictly responsible for my property, and if I should find anything wrong with it when I see you again, I'll simply "have to take such steps as may be necessary to guard the interests of my client relative to his rights to the property now under your care, dominion and control." Get me Reddo? Tough, that's me all over.

What has made me happy, lovie dear, was when you wrote that you are getting along so nicely down at the dispensary. Honey, I really am happy that you are so comfortable there. Take all you can get. Be as comfortable as you can and Toots, if you don't want to stay there any night, don't. Lovie I want you to feel you can do anything you desire and that you don't have to worry about your job. Believe me, I felt bad enough that you had to work when you are married, but honey dear, 'tis sure the time isn't far off before you will be home with me. I am glad that Caroline Klein is with you. I hope she will go with you for then I will feel satisfied that you are not too lonesome.

Precious you want to know whether I miss you! Toots, believe me when I tell you that everything I do is mechanically done. I have no other witness besides my work. I have no home nor will I have one until you come down. Companionship I lack, and everything I have doesn't satisfy me in the least. In to-morrow's big letter, I'll tell you just how things are what I do and how I feel, and believe me, you will know the truth. Then you will know how much I love you, how I miss you, yearn for you and long for you. How often I wish I could take you out in the evenings to kiss you, hug you and show you how much I love you. Always keep you happy. Sweetheart, that's my life's ambition! To make you happy, contented and beloved by all, and to love you always. Honey love, I do love you. I love you with all all my heart and soul and dear assure you, that I love you more and more

each day. You are always in my thoughts, day and night, but sometimes, because I know you are so far away, I become blue, ~~sad~~ depressed and terribly, terribly lonesome for no cause practically, at all. Your darling letters cheer me up wonderfully, but my room after my heart becomes heavy, as though made of lead. You can rest assured, Lovie that I'm trying my best to make out so that I can soon send for you.

I will close now, my sweet precious darling, with all my love, Kisses + hugs to the dearest precious soul in all the world, my own beloved wife,

Devotingly yours
Shelby

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Sunday.

Precious Love Dear:-

In yesterday's letter I wrote I would try and get up early enough to write the loveful I promised and believe me I did get up early, but what do you think? The negress that I wrote to you about, the one who wanted the divorce, came up this morning and chattered away until 11:30 the time of this writing. She now wishes me to go ahead with the case, but I politely informed her that I would do a thing until she pays me. She assured me she will pay me this coming week, so you see I have something to look forward to. I had to tell you this in the very beginning, for I am happy, and I know how happy you will be when you hear of it.

Now, sweetheart I'm going to start. I hope no one interrupts me so that I can finish in time for the mail. If I am too late for the mail, I'll mail it anyway, and then you will get to-day's and to-morrow's mail at the same time. I hope I get in through in time for I would rather see you get a letter everyday, than one day nothing at all and the next day 2.

To begin with, I'll have to repeat what I had already written you. The prospects are bright, very, very bright. I am sure with a little more time, I'll have a somewhat substantial practice. I've made numerous friends, and good ones too. Men who have promised to assist me, and who do at the very first opportunity. I am not looking for the big cases to come now, but am sure that that will come in due time. What I am really after is the small collection claims, for this reason: I see more money coming in, in the very beginning; then it keeps me quite busy; through this business of the practice, I obtain a great many acquaintances, who come to see me about settling the matter I have against them, and when they do, I try to be as lenient as I am able to, thereby making a friend of him, instead of making an enemy. Just to illustrate it, I had a claim against a fellow for Mr. Hazar. He came up, paid something on account, and then I got talking to him. In the course of the conversation, he mentioned 2 or 3 instances where he had gotten into trouble and then the invariable assertion "If I had known you at that time, I surely would have retained you". I hear that so often, I can hardly believe it, but I am telling you the absolute truth. Another instance: The day I came my uncle was in Court. When he saw me, he felt like "walloping" me, as he put it, for not coming a little before, so that I could have gotten the case & made some money. Anyway, I saw his lawyer and spoke to him about the case, and when he heard me argue it before him, he said "Mr. Freedman I want you to appear with me as counsel and you will have a splendid opportunity for some clean experience". I assured him I will appear, and when my uncle heard of it, he was tickled. Of course, I won't see a cent out of it but I sure will get some experience, something that I need. It takes these little incident that help a man along in his practice, and I feel sure that they will help me along as much as possible. Even my law professors help me along as much as they can and I told them, what I am going to tell you now, that I subscribed to what is known as the "Bonded Attorney"

a magazine that is published quarterly and this is its advantages. The magazine publishes the names of all the attorneys in the country who are bonded and are engaged in the collection business besides their general practice. If I should have a case in Los Angeles, Cal. or in Louisiana, or Michigan, or New York, I would consult this book, get the name of an attorney, send him the case, and advise the company that as this and this date I forwarded a claim to so and so. This would then bind the attorney to the rules and regulations of the association, and then he couldn't charge me a greater amount than what the company has set down, and if he should collect and misappropriate the money I have a claim, and can move against the company through this medium I can accept all collection cases and feel sure I can attend to them, and in this way, I can work up a nice practice, clean, legitimate and honorable, for this way, I can make numerous friends and make quite a nice little money, besides of having a practice coming. I wrote to the company and asked them information about being a bonded attorney. If I become a bonded attorney and have my name published I feel sure I'll be able to get a nice few cases. The dean says that is one of the best things I can do, and it just shows him, how I am trying to succeed. If he only knew what a darling little wife I have, he wouldn't wonder why I try so hard so as to make my darling precious girl all happy. Every time I see him, he asks for you, mother, and Nore. Yesterday he asked me if I was going to bring them here too. I told him I would and he said "Just like you, Joe". This isn't in any bragadocio tone, but I am writing this according to my promise to write you little things that as yet I haven't written you. Summons for collection cases & other cases are coming in a great deal through my sign. That sign game has done its work a great number of times. You see, I'm located in Court Square, a prominent thoroughfare, and people are bound to see it. More than one has told me he was on his way to a lawyer, when he saw my sign and came up to me instead of going where he originally intended to go. Then Dr. Lazar, druggist Priester, my uncle Solomon, and other of my friends are recommending me here and there, and tell me that with all this help, I'll work myself up to something good, don't you, Toots? Even Bernstein and his nephew say they are going to recommend me wherever they can, but that of course, must be seen. So darling, don't you think prospects are quite bright? This week I made $12.00 so you see that a little of it is coming in, only my expenses are either too big, or I'm foolishly spending it. It cost me $1.00 a day for meals only. I was telling Lazar that if you were here, on the money I am making, you could also live on it, and he agreed with me, but meals, rent, and incidentals which if you were here would at first eat up the few dollars I make, but I can assure, I have every misgiving I can, for as the old proverb goes "Save the pennies, the dollars will take care of themselves", and that's the little advice I am following as much as I can. If my aunt was different, believe me, I could save some money, believe me, but as Dr. Lazar said, you could become crazy if you lived there, that's why when I leave in the morning I don't go back until 11 P.M. Oh, well, it's all in the game, and then, I'm getting my room, poor as it is, free, and my uncle's help, but let me tell you, he sure is treating me differently now.

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No more does he try to put anything over me as he used to.

My uncle is a peculiar duck. You must know how to rub him to get along with him. He is liable to do anything one minute and the next minute regret his step. He and Solomon are as timid as can be, that is, in their friendship and stall, you ought to hear the arguments! They don't amount to anything, but it simply goes to show how petty my uncle can be at times. I don't believe he means anything by it, but in all probabilities it's because of his ignorance. Solomon is a fine fellow. Whole-hearted and sincere in everything he does. He'd do anything for anyone he likes, and I can tell you, Lodi, he certainly is helping me a great deal. Recommends everywhere, introduces me to every one he can. On the whole, he is doing everything within his power to help me out. He always asks for you. Asks how you are getting on & feels in a fatherly way towards us. He has a brother in the service who is practically good for-nothing. That boy sure did aggravate Solomon, but I sincerely hope that the service has wrought a change in him for the better, not for his sake, but for the sake of Solomon. Coming back to my uncle; every night, when we get home, we begin talking of you. He told me that my aunt always argues with him for an hour, insisting that I ought to send for you. Of course, she is imbecilic, but anyway it just means that we are all anxious to have you here. Believe me, Lodzie, I want to have you here. I always look up the different advertisements about the furniture, and feel I can get a nice ivory set, the kind you want.

Sometimes in the ads, they say that for the same money, we can get ivory, mahogany or walnut. If I can get ivory or walnut, which shall I take? I rather like the ivory, but I know you like walnut, too, so let me know. I saw a nice ad that read "3-room special," but you wouldn't like it for the ~~wood~~ wood isn't what we want. They want $200.00 for the outfit, but for that money, I can get something you like and with which you will be pleased. I feel happy when I read the ads, for it reminds me that soon you will be here. I also look up ads for 3-room apartments, but when the time comes for you to come here, I'm sure I'll have a nice little place fixed up. No furnished apartment for us. Our own little home, that's what I want, and want it badly. What do you say, precious, am I right? I couldn't think of sending for you without just having a little home fixed up. It may not be a lovely little palace —— how can it when you are not here —— but when you come, my own little tootsie, then it will be a little palace, eh, sweetheart? I am going to write to mondear about the furniture. I hope I can get it for a set like that you can't always get. I sure do wish though that I can make enough to pay off mondear what I borrowed from her. I'm pretty sure I will be able to do so in a little while. I sure do wish I can be able to send for her very soon

after I have you here, and then we will have a regular family reunion. What do you say?

Love, when I first came here, that is last month, I thought it was spring. The weather was wonderful, with the exception of a 2 days rain. Then, in the last few days, it turned cold. We had a little snow, not much, then it got kind of warm again but like to-day, it became kind of cool again. When we had bad weather I faithfully wore the rubbers & rain coat, just as you wanted me to, Beloved, you needn't worry about me taking care of myself, for I am, to the best of my ability.

Honey love to-day is Sunday, and believe me, I dread it. What am I going to do with myself, I don't know. I'll walk around a little, I know, then go to show, that is a moving picture show, and then the day is over, and the dreaded night is on. My only hope and consolation is that you will soon be here and then I won't be so lonesome. I try my best to keep going to see people, but honey, how can I go to affairs when you are not here? I yearn for you so much, I miss you so much; often times I feel as if I were missing you, that's a fact, but then, the dreaded truth dawns on me, that you are 40 long travel away from me, then I get miserable, depressed, and blue. I can hardly be blamed for that. Pooty, somehow, I have a vague feeling that you are disappointed in something. For the last few days, I have had that feeling. I have often, in that time, wondered if you are loving patients or grieving too much, or something. Your letters are always wonderful, as usual, but, I really can't get rid of that feeling. Darling, I want you to write to me and tell me how everything is getting on. I want you write me every minute little incident, and probably that will get rid of that vague feeling. I really don't know what has come over me. I can't sleep, I'm restless, and feel certain that something is wrong. I hope, sincerely so, that I am absolutely wrong, so I want you to tell me, and tell me everything. Do you understand, honey? I wonder what that can be. I all of a sudden! I really am coming to believe it's on account of the trouble you have had at the dispensary. I sure do hope I can get you out of there already. It's beginning to get on my nerves! When, oh when, sweetheart, are we going to have each other again. By God, at times I get mad, I feel that things are not as they should be. Maybe it's only because I miss you so much and it the worry over it. I can assure you, Toots, the next time I leave for any place to make a living, you are coming with me.

My precious jewell, I certainly do miss you; I yearn for you; I long for you! at times I feel that I am going to call for you the very next day, but then the miserable truth appears and points out how impossible it is for the present. I only hope and pray that you will be here for Easter. It is maddening, Toots, maddening to think that one so pure and good and faithful as you should have to suffer because of my inability to support you now, but, love, my own precious wife, I swear by all that is holy, by the memory of my dear,

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departed father, that I sure'l make you happy and contented if it is only within my power to do so. Honey love, how I long to embrace you, to take care of you, the good Lord knows, but the fact still remains; we must wait; wait until I have a large enough practice so that I can take care of you; support you, clothe you as is befitting one so good and dear as you and give you a home, a home, darling, that for which you are now suffering so; giving up your pleasures, your good times, all for that, and believe me, my own beloved, I appreciate it, and believe me, I'll never forget it.

Precious, dear go no further. I had intended to write much more, but suddenly I can't. My heart is heavy, my thoughts have become deadened by the emotion of my tender heart. I feel blue, darling. You are away, you are 40 hours away, precious, and try as I might, I can not get rid of it, so my own darling, I will conclude, sincerely hoping that I haven't disappointed you in reference to the length of my letter with all my love to my own precious, darling wife, for whom I yearn and long so much, with all my love, hugs, thoughts & kisses,

Ever lovingly and longingly yours
tenderly lonesome,
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Monday.

My darling Sweetheart Lots!-

To-day was my glad day, my gala day for I received your Thursdays and Friday's letters, and precious Lots they sure did make me happy, though I am so sorry I didn't mail you a Valentine. To be frank I didn't know that it was Valentine Day. As I said no stock in such things and I am sure, I'll pay more attention hereafter and don't think for one moment that my failure to send you a valentine means that I don't love you, for sweetheart mine, I do love you, I love you with all my heart and soul!

Precious, I too, hate mail-less days for when I don't get any mail from you somehow, I get upset and nervous, and before I go further after reading your darling letters, I see how foolish I was in being so nervous, as I wrote in yesterdays letter but darling it shows you how your darling letters cheer me up. I am certainly sorry you don't go out, for I do so want you to enjoy yourself, but believe me, Lots, when we are together, I can assure you we will shake up for lost time. Everything you will tell me, will be supplemented with a good, old-fashioned hug and kiss, and honey, mine, my own dearest wife, you will never have occasion to scold me to stop stopping for I am going to try and make up for all that you and I have been denied and for the rest of my life I'll sing that song to you "I'll make you happy again" for honey, as I've told you time and again, that is my hearts' desire, to make you happy, to love you all the time and be with you while the sun of life sets in the west. Lots dear, I pray God that when I die, I should be sitting in my favorite arm chair, with you, darling, on my lap, my arms about you, your sweet little head on my shoulder and our lips together. Sweetheart, if I could only kiss you, hug you and taste of you! I too would be willing to give up anything, much more than my nose, if I could but have you with me.

Darling mine, I knew something was wrong with you, and when you wrote me that you were unwell, I felt that somehow, there is something in mental-telepathy. Honey dear, I am glad that you didn't suffer so much physically. I'll never forget the time when you told me you bit your hands, you were suffering so much, but darling, I am glad you rested so much. Whenever it comes, lie down and rest. Take things very, very easy, as you see how good it does you. Don't you see that if anything is wrong, it hurts me? Why? Because I love you, sweetheart, love you better than life itself, for what is life to me without you? Even if it's only a word from you, it cheers me up. Believe me, my own wife, I continue to kiss you & talk to you all day, for that soothes me and takes away that empty feeling, that feeling that that which I hold dearest is so far away, but precious, the time will soon come, I am sure, when we will be together for all time.

I am glad that you go up to Mondeans on Friday nights. Go as often as you can, for she loves you, and loves you truly. It sure is wonderful of her to take such good care of her. Was so glad to read that Mondeau is improving. Rose wrote me that Lolly is getting terribly bad. Carrying on with my uniform. Just wrote and told her to send it off. I sure do wish I could give him a piece of my mind.

Sweetie, as for me, I am taking good care of myself, going about in the evenings and meeting friends. I am sure I have a good

name and believe me, I'm going to try and keep it. Little by little my business is picking up and feel sure that I will get a nice practice. Every day and I get I study and when I am not studying, I sit down and just have a pleasant tete-a-tete with — whom? — why?, my darling wifie. Every paper I get, I look up the different ads. The ivory set isn't so expensive. Some places offer walnut for the same price as ivory, but ivory shows off the room so much better. Darling, our home won't be so effective and magnificent in the beginning, but as you say, it will be our own home, no matter how simple.

Darling, I'll continue loving you, more and more each day. I want you to keep on loving me as you do, for, dearest, I yearn for it, I yearn and long for you, I miss you! I love you, my own wifie, I love you. Love me all the time, precious, love me! I want you, darling I want you. I pray to God the live-long day that I can soon send for you, dearest wifie in the world. Keep on being brave and courageous, take good care of your darling self, and take care of your precious pet.

Toots, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Write me everything and don't leave out a single thing.

Will close now precious with all my love, to my own darling wifie, and with all the hugs and kisses to the purest, sweetest, dearest jewel I possess, or ever will possess, my own darling wifie,

Ever lovingly & longingly your own

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Tuesday

My own precious Toots:-

Just received your darling letter of Saturday, and honey bunch, I can assume you I was blue that Wednesday, after I found out about Leve, but, sweetheart, your letter sure did make me feel good. Honey, you simply can't imagine how your sweet letters soothe and encourage me, but it is so, Tootsie, they are magnificent, wonderful and full of what I yearn for so much — your own sweet, darling, pure love. Can you wonder now why your letter cheer me up so? Precious, I do love you, I love you, my Toots.

Please don't refer to Ben Leve any more. I am going to take your wise advice, and keep clear of him. The word most appropriate that is descriptive of him is "despicable", and that is how I feel towards him. I surely can't, and won't, ask you to extend any courtesies whatsoever towards him, and believe me, he will then fully realize what he is and what he has done. Mondean asked me, or rather Rose asked me for mondean if I heard from Leve. I made it a point to forget about it in writing her, so I made no mention of it, for I am sure if mondean, or Rose, heard of it, they would feel badly. I wrote you because of my promise to write you if I ever feel blue, and I rather intend to, because you cheer me up so.

Tootsie, the reason I must wait so long to become a Notary Public, is because the County Court, who passes on my application, only first meets in the 2nd monday in April, that's why. One of the Squires who recommended me told me to see him a little before that time and he will see the Chairman of the Notary Committee, and thereby help me out a great deal. I surely hope he will do something for me as I feel I can make some nice money out of it. I suppose by now you know that I am teaching that man English. Paid me $10 for the month. That's easy money. I haven't heard anything further about the Masonic Order except that a committee is out investigating and character and everything like that. Hope I can get in; if not, I know who it was that kept me out. I gave up feeling blue or discouraged over it, or even worrying about it.

Lovie darling, I feel that I will be able to call for you by the beginning of May, at least, if not before. Things are going along nicely. I think that in tomorrow's letter I'll have a little good news. Darling Minnie, don't you worry, you'll be with your hubby pretty soon, with God's help, and believe me, we'll both be happy. How I look forward to that time already! Believe me, I'll be happy.

I will attend to the marriage precious. You sure did fool me, though, for when I saw that letter, I prepared myself for a long letter, and, dog-gone it, got left. Hope I get that big letter to-morrow. By this time, no doubt you got my big letter of Sunday. I had intended making a much bigger letter out of it, but in the midst as you no doubt noticed, I had to stop, for I felt the "blues" coming on. I hope, dear heart, you won't be angry, and whatever you do, don't make me wait for mail. That's all I need!

Tootsie, sure am glad, happy, to be back, that mondean is improving and getting back to her old-self again. I sure do hope she will progress and stop griping. Give my love to her and assure her that I am

trying very hard.

Darling mine how are you getting on? How is your precious foot? Honey mine, don't work too hard, take it very, very easy. I suppose you are still fooling around with your embroidery work instead of resting. Are you love? I sincerely hope not. By the way, how is your bedspread progressing? Must be nearly finished, isn't it? Remember darling take good care of yourself and ~~under~~ remember I hold you strictly responsible for my property.

Well, precious, will close now, hoping and praying I get that big letter to-morrow — God! 24 hours before I get another letter! —, with all my love to my precious dearest wife in all ~~the~~ world, my own beloved sweetheart, and with kisses and hugs galore,

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Wednesday

My precious Lovie:-

Your Sundays letter, the wonderful big one, was great, and honey, let me tell you again, you certainly are a wonderful little writer and as a matter of fact, you should have been a novelist instead of a pharmacist. Believe me, darling, your letters are wholesome and a good tonic for tired brains. Before I go further, I want to tell you again that you failed me with the letter in which you inclosed the insurance slips.

It certainly is place the way the hospital authorities are treating you about the Sunday worry. Fact, when you come here we will both compose a letter, describing their attitude towards you, and publish it in the World or Journal. Just to teach them a sweet little lesson would do my heart good, honestly, and I am going to do it, too, as soon as you come here. After all darling mine I believe your solution of the problem, relative to your vocation is best, but, dearest, I certainly hate to give my consent, for the sooner you come here, the quicker we will be happy together - but anyway, I must also consider other things, so will give my consent, but sweetheart, no later than May 1st, for by that time I'm pretty sure with God's help, I can send for you. Then again, you sure do deserve that vacation and as to the money part of it that never worried me, also the fact that you could have your precious teeth attended to, too. Darling I want you to quit looking for new jobs. Let this one suffice. It's the best after all as you had a nice room with all conveniences, short hours and good meals, and it won't be long, please God, when you won't need that but get a nice little "job" with me. That would be much better than the one you have, eh, sweetheart? Anyway Carrie doesn't want your job but I suppose she knows what she want. Perhaps she would taste it. Can't understand why she hasn't written you since her answer. I am sure if she got your job she would have the best position she ever thought of getting. Anyway I wouldn't worry about it, if she doesn't want it all well and good.

I am glad, honey, that you got another check from the Government. Can't understand why they continue sending it to you. Of course you go right ahead with it. It sure did come at an opportune moment. I sure wanted you to have a good time with it, but, I suppose if you bought material to dresses you are better pleased so I'm pleased, too.

I was surprised, greatly surprised, when I read that Nellie is going to Atlanta! I simply can't understand that couple. Has he made so good in such a short time that he can afford to call for her? Honey, believe me, I love you, and you know how much I love, too, and how I want you, and still, I could hardly consent of calling for you when I know I haven't enough to properly support you. Oh, well my best wishes to them.

Honey, I was pleased over your mother's action, in sending me an idea what she did. Please tell her that I thank her and hope some day to be able to reciprocate. I can readily realize how your mother feels about 2 of her daughters going away, but, really, honey, she should have no cause to worry about you, for, as I told you in my previous letter I will have a little home ready for you when you come, and the fact that your mother feels so bad over the thought of your leaving, it would be best to spend the last 2 weeks there just as you suggested.

Dearest wifie, lovie dear I was happy when I started reading that you had gone to the hospital entertainment, but certainly was sorry that you didn't have a good time, as I want you to make to enjoy yourself. Believe me, we will make up for lost time, won't we, dear?

What kind of a memorial plate did you get? Is it to go on the monument? Who got it, or rather who gave it? If Roe, Lolly & you had it made, why didn't you let me know, so that I could chip in too? Anyway precious, I am glad something like that was gotten for it is very appropriate. I can assume you I am happy that Hipman went with Ford to get Jus, and Sootsie. I am sure that when you want him to go with you, he'll do so, for, as you know, he is a good fellow. As to mandeau, love, dahlin

tell you enough how I appreciate how you are acting towards her. I always tell my uncle how well you two ~~getting~~ get along. I can assure you, Toots, that you are more like mother and daughter, instead of "in-laws" and honey, believe me, I'll never forget it.

Lovie, I just kissed your picture to be able to write what follows, for dear, that is nearest my heart and believe me I'm yearning for it to come. Darling mine, if our first born is a boy, you can rest assured that I'll be supremely happy; as a matter of fact if it is of either sex. If it's a boy, I want him to be a good do his darling mother, to be a credit to her, to love her as I love her and always be able to take care of her, if I should leave this world first. I would also want him to be as good and honest as his grandfather was and I am sure, precious, if he had all these qualities I would be satisfied. Love, I want him to better than his dad for his dad certainly did treat his mondear (you) shamefully at times, and dearest, I can never forgive myself for acting that way towards you, my dearest love, but, Sue darling, by all that is holy I swear to take care of you to never give you cause for suffering through any act of mine if I can possibly help it. Sweetheart, I love you, I love you! Each day I further realize what you mean to me, how strong a hold you have on me with your love, your sweetness, and your goodness. Love dear always always will I treat you lovingly, gently, considerately and kindly, and I only keep praying to God to assist me so that I can show you by actions. Love, each day I kiss you, hug you and love you, and what is more, look to you by holding your picture. It does me so much good, precious, even if it is only your ~~picture~~ picture, but when I do it, I feel as if you were there personally and kissing your precious lips, my arms about you. Oh, honey how I yearn and long for it. Tootsie, when I begin talking about you coming here, or when I write about the furniture, I begin to crave for you, crave for you intensely, so much so, honey that I don't know what to do with myself, but then the fact, Lovie, that you will soon be here, appeases me, and then I'm consoled. That's why, at first I couldn't think of waiting till you before you come, but after due consideration I find it to be best.

Precious jewel mine, I am still looking up the ads. about the furniture as I wrote you in my previous letter. I think that the ivory set is best and am looking for a set that has a chifferobe, or whatever you call it. For the ~~big~~ fact of the belief that it is a nice set and am sure you will like it. Of course, love dear, when my practice enlarges we'll get better furniture, but this set, I am sure, will suffice for the beginning, for all I want, dearest is to have a little home for you. The big bed is best too, darling, for it won't take up so much room and then again, it won't cost so much as the twin beds cost. As for the linen etc. you will of course buy it here, and if you have saved up $25 to buy it with, that's good, if not I can buy it, or rather, we will buy it here anyway, for love dear, I'll try my best that you won't be short of anything. How about dishes honey? They had a sale here of 50 pieces for $7.95, a dinner set they called it. We will have to get 2 sets, so I'll see to it. I'll buy one anyway, and probably buy the other too, before you come. As yet I haven't written to mondear about the library set, but will write about it when I write to her the next time.

In yesterday's letter I wrote you that I will probably have some good news for you, so here it is. Lowell Taylor turned over 4 cases to me, all that I have to do is to see the witnesses, and submit a report to his firm, who represents an insurance company, on each case, giving in detail what they said about the case. For each report I get $5.00 so for the 4 I will get $20.00. So you see, Lovie, I'll investigate and by to-morrow hope to have the reports through. That isn't all, Taylor told me that the company has made a change & rather intends to make a change in paying for these reports. Instead of $5.00 for a report, they want

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to pay $50 a month for as many during the (3) months as possible. He further said that he has accepted it for the month of March, merely as an experiment for he has a nice practice, as when everybody else was in the slump he was practicing. Well, he said that if during that month the finds he can't attend to it he will turn it over to me, saying that he has spoken to his associate, and is going to take me to him when he is ready to turn it over to me. Of course, I am not sure if I will get it, but if I do, it won't interfere with my practice, for I can do this work whenever my time permits and then I would be getting $50 a month steady. So you see, if I get that and with the $10 a month for teaching that man English, I feel I can easily make $100 a month, if not more when I get to be a Notary Public. Then I will feel pretty certain that I will be able to amply provide for you and take care of you. Believe me, Lovie dear, Taylor me did make me happy by doing this, for I have now look forward to something. Then, in the mean time my practice will grow and I won't be empty-handed until the big case comes along. I am only hoping and praying that I get it, don't you? Dr. Lazar was happy when I told him what I landed yesterday, and then gave me another case where I can make a few more money. Uncle Morris, who by the way told me he mailed his answer to you, told me that he saw Taylor last week and asked him to throw something my way if he could and that Taylor told him he had something to give me and was going to pretty soon. I presume he meant this, so you can see how my uncle is helping me.

Lootsie when I first came back, my uncle was in court that way I was beat out of a case and he had to turn it over to that big lawyer that I wanted to get in with. Now he is in some more trouble and I am to co-operate with those lawyers. Solomon wanted to take the case out of their hands and turn it over to me, but I told him not to. Anyway, to show you what those lawyers think of me, they told Solomon that whatever I do they can vouch for, and what is more, before they tell him anything they asked him what I said; on one occasion, to have verified their own statements they told Solomon to ask me, and what I said they would abide by, for to use their own words, they said "Ask Joe, he knows law." That's pretty good, isn't it? That is why Melvin Solomon has such a great deal of confidence in me, especially my uncle.

Little by little, honey love, my practice is growing. Getting a case here and there, making friends as much as I can, but only something is always tugging at my heart strings. My longing for you, honeylove, seems to overpower me at times, and at night, I feel like a ship without a rudder. I don't know what to do or where to go.

Lootsie as to my stationary, though what I gave me is undoubtedly a better quality of paper and better workmanship I picked this out because I think it makes a much neater appearance and then again, it is much cheaper. Anyway, if money will come,

it will come regardless of my stationary.

Well Lovie, dear I must finish 4 or 5 copies of a big lease for my uncle who needs it to-night, and as it is already 4 [illegible] P.M. and I want this to catch the 5:30 train, I'll close with all my love to my precious, sweetheart, darling, sweet wife, with kisses & hugs galore,

Ever lovingly and longingly yours only

Hubby

P.S. Remember Lovie, no longer than the 1st of May. Footsie, forgive me for not asking in the letter. How is your darling Footsie getting on? Please be careful & keep it on as much as necessary, though I'm glad for your sake, you were able to put on low shoes already. Believe me, Lovie dear you will be just as welcome if you wear high shoes when you get here, as you will with Afford ties, see if you don't.

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Thursday.

Toots Darling:-

Just received your darling letter of Monday, and precious Lorie was happy to read how happy you were by the receipt of my letter. Honeybunch that's ~~about~~ what I always want to do, to make you happy, and Lorie, you and I will both be happy; darling mine, you will meet me and greet me with a hug and kiss when I come home; yes, you dearest light of my life, and believe me, though the time looks real, real blue, still it can't be soon enough for you to be here.

Lorie dear so glad you bought material for dresses, and I am sure assured that they will be lovely when finished. Toots, I could go anywhere with you could hold up my head as high as anybody when you are with me, so you needn't worry how your clothes become you, for honey, you always look pretty whether you have on a rag, or the loveliest dress, and I am sure you I will often remind you how pretty you are, my little angel, and always tell you, as I will always do so, I love you, I love you, I love you, my own sweet wife. Believe me, love, I cannot describe, or express how much I do love you, how I want to prove it to you by actions and deeds, but I am sure you can read between the lines and see the yearning and longing I have for you. My precious little baby, I adore you, I worship you and please God, I hope to have you here about May 1st or at least, to have you leave New York on May 1st, 1919

Tootsie, see how wonderful you are? You have already figured out so that our expenses will be little in the beginning and to that you are getting your clothes ready. Honey, I can assure you, I will go without a shirt on my back if necessary, so as you should never be short of anything. If, darling, you should need a few extra dollars, let me know immediately, and I'll raise it for you, will you precious? You might need some money for the dentist, so precious, don't fail to let me know.

Don't worry, dear heart, you will be making around, packing, etc. very soon, too, and then darling you can feel that you are going to your own cozy little home, where you will reign supreme, and I will be your Prince Consort, and crave to do your bidding, and Lorie dear, if God blesses us with a little boy for the first-born, he will be King, and you Queen. Like in days of old, I will humbly fall on my knees and pledge allegiance to my Queen and King. What say you, sweet one? Don't you wish the time to soon come, Lorie dear, for that? I sure do.

Lorie, as you said, I too, say that I am keeping my upper lip firm and feel sure that the time will soon come when I will have quite a lucrative practice. As it is, it is growing, little by little, getting cases here and there, and making quite a number of cases from them. These investigations I got from Taylor are also keeping me quite busy. Hope he pays me this week. All of the H he turned over to me, I have practically completed 3. As soon as I get them all finished, I'll turn them in. Expect I'll be able to do it by to-morrow.

Honey, I just got Faigle's invitation. Did you get one, too? He addressed it to Mr. & Mrs. J. Freedman. Toots, let me what to buy her, and I'll buy it for the 2 of us, or do you think it advisable to send her a $5 bill.

Lorie, I'll have to close now, as I've got a little case in the magistrate's

count for Dr. Logan, so with all my love to my own precious love dear, my own darling sweet wife,

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Friday.

Darling Wife:-

Your sweet darling letter of Tuesday just received, and honey, it certainly was wonderful. I can assure you I lost all my nervousness over you now, for I feel from your letter, that things aren't so bad with you at the dispensary. It did worry me, I must admit, but I was quite assured after reading your lovely letter.

Love, before I go further, I must tell you this. Bernal says nephew told me to withdraw my application as I will be black-balled, and further told me to go in through another lodge, not the one I made application to. What do you think of that? After considering it, I made up my mind to withdraw my application, and probably in a month or two go into the Masonic through another lodge. I spoke to the Dean about it to-day & he advised me to withdraw rather than be black-balled. Love, if it wasn't for your letter this morning, I don't know what would have happened, for nearly everything went wrong with me to-day but, its over now, I feel better and see the fallacy in worrying over it.

Precious mine, I can hardly describe my happiness whenever it comes for me to look up a flat and furniture. It makes me feel so happy, for I know and feel that soon, soon, you will be here and love and beloved as it should be. How can I feel otherwise when I think of all the love that is stored up and waiting for me, that intense, pure, future, everlasting love, and the fact that you are not disappointed in me, I can assure you, makes me doubly happy. Love, I do remember the time when things were so black for us, but now I do thank God that things have come to pass as they did. I must admit that for the begining, things were going along so smoothly, and I only hope and pray that in May you will be here. Besides, even the Dean says I can support you and provide very nicely in the begining on $100.00 a month and he says she is sure I'll make out very well in the long run. Before I go further, he said that he wants to see you when you come down and I assured him that he will for I will bring you up and introduce you to him. He is very anxious to meet you alright. And when I told him of your wonderful qualities and the beautiful letters you write, he was happy, believe me. He asked me if I was going to take you to a furnished apartment or furnish our own home. I told him that when you come here, you are going direct to your own comfy little home, and then he told me that I was doing the right thing saying "you had enough of furnished rooms, didn't you Joe?" I assured him I did & then he laughed. As a matter of fact, I am getting along splendidly with everybody, but I fear Dr. Lazar & I are going to have it out. He is very erratic, nervous, of an explosive disposition. At times he forgets himself, and if I didn't know him so much, and so well, I would leave quit having anything to do with him. Anyway, there is no use crossing the bridge before I get there, so will await future developements. Mrs. Lazar is a nice little woman and I would like you to meet her. Little by little, I am making a number of friends and

am sure that in time I'll have quite a circle of friends. The only friends I want are those from whom I can make a few dollars, but of course, I want to get friends with whom you can associate with when I am very busy, but you may be sure, sweetheart, I am going to stick around you as much as I can, believe me, busy or not busy. We will look go together, any place and everyplace, eh, Lovie dear?

Love dear, I am holding you responsible for my property and I can assure you that I am keeping myself in as good shape as I possibly can. Thank God, I am not suffering so much from headaches as I used. Lord, I don't want any of those things.

I am still keeping my open for a nice little ivory bed-room set. I am sure I can get one that will suit your taste. As yet, I haven't seen any with a chifferobe (is that right?), only dressers, that is, one with a mirror and ordinary drawers, instead of doors. Will that make any material difference? Let me know, sweetheart.

Lovie, my uncle claims he sent you a letter. By this time, no doubt you have received it. Mr. Lazar inclosed a little note in my letter, so I presume you will get that. His address is 41 Goodban Building. Whatever you do, darling, keep after the mail and see that it don't go astray, for honey, I am always after your letters and I want you to receive mine, for your answers cure me so wonderfully well for me.

Precious sweetheart mine, let me assure again that your darling letter bolstered me up a good deal and I feel very happy. Now you didn't let me know about your darling little footsie. How is it getting on? How are you in general health.

Must close now, darling, with all my love, kisses, hugs and thoughts to my own precious, perfect, darling little wifie who made me so happy to-day,

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Precious Wifie:-

There is only one mail delivery to-day on account of this being a holiday, but, fortunately for me, I got your precious darling letter of Wednesday early this morning. Lovie dear, I can hardly thank you for your wonderful letters. They are sublime to say the least. I look forward to your letters as one would look forward to the greatest moment in his life.

Honey love, I knew you were jesting when you first wrote about the valentine, but you see, darling mine, if I were what you think me to be, I would remember such little incidents as the various holidays and act accordingly, but don't mind, Toots, I will try hereafter to remember when such times come to do as I should do. And then, love, I am so happy to be your valentine and that you are mine for sweetheart, when you come here, won't we be happy to know that our repeated valentines are real? Toots, I know I will, and feel sure, from your letters, that you will, too. Love, you deserve a better husband, one who would be more worthy of you, one who could make you happier, but, love, I am going to try, to try till my dying day, to make you happy; to love you each day, more than the preceding is a foregone conclusion, for if I was ever made to realize what a wonderful wifie I have this separation has made me realize it. To love and honor you, precious, as I had promised when we were married, you may rest assured will be strictly followed. How I can picture you standing by my side, in your beautiful little wedding dress that your wonderful brain designed and your tender little fingers put together! How happy I was after the ceremony to say before everybody "my wife"! Lovie, when I think of the agony and suffering you have gone through because of me, I feel guilty of a crime. I can never forgive myself for giving you unnecessary pain, but, love heart, nevermore will I be so stubborn towards you as I was, for darling, I now realize how much I love you, how I adore you and want you. Always will I take care of myself, keep myself as clean as man can be, and love you with all my heart and soul, and Toots, I'll try, try my hardest to be worthy of you and your pure, everlasting love. I'll always keep in my mind, during our separation, that the time is not far off before you will be there, cozily snuggled in my arms and held so tightly, so tightly. I am glad that you will take care of yourself, love, especially when your period of illness comes on, and so glad that your darling precious foot is so much better. Only hope it continues improving. I promise you, my own little sweetheart, to take care of myself, for your sake, so that I may take care of you and make you happy.

Darling mine, business is still going along nicely. Still getting cases. I have already subscribed to the Assn of Bonded Attorneys. They want me to give them a little information regarding my experience and character

so that they may be able to accept my application to be Bonded. I am going to write them in a very few days.

As to my uncle, I'm taking him as he is. At times he is wonderful, I must admit. I'm going to take full advantage of the Y.M.C.A., believe me, and when you come! Oh, Sootsie, won't everything be so diffirent!

Yes, my precious, its best for us to start small in housekeeping and as time goes by we can easily add to it, and little by little, dovie, we shall have a nice little home, won't we, dovie?

Love, when you write that big letter, remember your lonesome hubby is yearning for it, so — you know kiddets — make it a nice big one, won't you?

To-day is a holiday, and to-morrow you won't be working, so Sootsy love, I hope you will enjoy yourself and have a real good time. Take care of your darling self, my own sweet little angel, and remember, I love you, always did, and darling, always, always will.

I will close now, precious, with all my love to my own sweet darling little wifie, and with all the tightest hugs, and kisses, my love,

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Sunday.

My own Beloved:-

To-day is Sunday, and that being the case, I don't get any mail from you, and let me tell you honey, that's one of the reasons why I hate Sunday. I count so much on your letters that when I don't get one, it's practically through for the day, but I know it's no one's fault, so I shouldn't grumble.

Honey love, it sure is a magnificent day out, just like summer, and everybody seems to be out with their wives, sweethearts and loved ones, while I have to walk around town myself. Why is it honey that when I was in New York I hated to go out walking, while here I just yearn to go out for a walk with you? I am beginning to think it was because of my dislike for New York, that I didn't care to walk. Here it's different. Everybody is out walking, laughing and singing, utterly oblivious to all worry. I think, honie dear, that's why I love the South. People act differently here, the whole method is so different, people here live where in New York they might be said to be starving. I sure do wish, honie, that you will love this country as I do. It sure is a wonderful place to live in.

I sure do hope, precious sweetheart, that you will soon be here. I miss you so much, you just simply can't imagine. Always I picture our lovely little home; how lovely you will look, and how happy I will be. Believe me honie, I am sure you will also be happy, divinely happy, for I will try even so hard to make good so that I will be able to amply provide for you. Precious sweetheart, when I think of how I am going to love you, how I am going to kiss you and hug, to make up for lost time, I get so happy, that at times I feel as if I am acting ridiculously, for, honie dear, I sure do love you; I sure do miss you, and yearn for you, and you can believe me, I sure do want you! Honeymoon, it won't be long before you come, will it?

Darling, that druggist Mr. Pinstein, I only write about, is also very anxious to meet you, for everytime I speak to him, you are the subject of my conversation. I know one thing, honie, if Ada would come down here, she could get one of the finest jobs in his place. He also is very short of good help, and he is willing to pay from $100 to $150 a month for a good man, and I know he would make no distinction if she was to come. You see darling, Ada once said she would like to go South, too, & if she did, she could always get a job here.

Well wife darling, how did you spend Washington's Birthday? Have a good time? I sure do hope so. I'm wondering what you are doing to-day. Did you go out any, Toots? Did you up to see Mondeau? How is she getting on? And honie, how is your precious little Footsie? And your

health in general? Remember, darling, take good care of yourself, for I am holding you strictly responsible for my property.

I am taking good care of myself, working hard, and always thinking of you, dear. There are lots of ads. that I watch about furniture. I hope I can find a nice set, haven't as yet written modern about her furniture, but will do so very soon.

Remember, love, take good care of yourself and enjoy yourself all you can.

Must close now, precious Sootsie, with all my love, kisses, hugs and thoughts to you, my sweet, dear, wonderful wife,

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Monday

My own darling Wifie:-

Received both your Thursday's and Friday's letters, and, Lovie, one was sorry you didn't get my letter on time. I believe it was on account of Dr. Lazaar, for I waited for him to write his letter and then inclosed it in mine. I can assure you, precious darling, hereafter I will see to it that I mail my letters before collection hour. As a general rule, I write right after my lunch, and mail it by 2 PM, so can't understand why it should be post-marked 4 or 5 PM. I supposes its just like Memphis. You won't have any more occasion, sweetheart, to ever be worried again like that, for I'll continue mailing my letters at the same time each day.

Honey love, believe me, you don't have to worry about me not loving you, for not only do I love you; I adore and worship you. Yesterday all day, while walking up and down, I was continually thinking of the little home I want to provide for you. I was just dreaming of how happy you will be, of how hard I will work to make you comfortable and contented. Sooteri, not only was it yesterday; but every day, I think of that time. Every-day I think of how happy we will be, how comfortable our little home will be! Oh, love, as you say, not later than May 1st, for I can hardly stand this separation much longer. I get so lonesome for you, especially when I see numberless young couples out walking. Lord, how I wish you and I could be out walking, too! But, never fear, love, it will come, and soon, too, won't it.

Lovie, this kid Bennie that my uncle mentions, is a foster child of Solomons. Solomon took care of him when he became motherless. There is a whole story attached to it, too long to write about, as anyway, I may be wrong about it, and then again, I would much rather tell it to you personally.

By this time, I suppose, you received my letter about the Masonic Order, but, dear-heart, don't you worry, sooner or later I'll be one. For your sake, I wanted to join, but I suppose, I'll have to go through another Lodge. As to being a Notary Public, I'll have to wait on that until the middle of April. Sure do hope I get it.

Toots, the Golds are leaving Memphis for Boston, where I understand Dr. Gold is accepting a pulpit. Haven't seen them before this on account of my attending to other things. Don't think that I lost any business by not seeing Dr. Gold. Not much, believe me.

I only wanted to see them so that you could have so much more of an acquaintanceship when you come, but it's useless now, as they are leaving pretty soon.

I am still going around Fort Knox, getting more acquainted and renewing old acquaintances. Little by little my practice is growing, only I wish the money would be coming in. Its only a question of time, Lorie, I'm sure, before it come "a rolling".

I will close now Lorie dear, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my own sweet little wifie, and with effectations of a real big fat letter,

Ever lovingly, but terribly lonesome yours,

Teddy

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Tuesday

Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling happy letter of Saturday, and I can assure you that it made me happy indeed. And so glad that you are happy and that mondeau is her old self again. I suppose its only through you and God that it was possible.

Lovie, about the check, this is my advice. It is over 2 months old, and in all probabilities payment has been stopped, for though we heard nothing about it from Washington, they may have stopped payment on it without advising us, so, Sootsie, don't put it through. Though it sure would come in handy, still, Lovie, don't forget I'm still in reserve, and they can start a lot of funny work, as you see, its quite a large amount. If you want to, try and put it through.

Honeybunch, I sure do hope Taylor turns that position over to me. I hope he doesn't change his mind. He told me the other day that if business drops with him, he will keep it up, but if business still keeps on going good, he'll turn it over to me, so all I do is to pray that business goes on well with him so that he'll turn it over to me. Honey, after all, May does look nice and neat, and I want to have something ready, for my darling little wifie

Yesterday, Lovie, was quite a happy day for me, for I got one of the finest cases yet, that is, if it goes through. A young girl, about 21, saw my sign and came up to see me. She told me that a man, for whose wife she was employed to help in so far as being a governess is considered, assaulted her, and when she remonstrated with him, he threw a pair of scissors at her, striking her on the right hand, cutting it and making it black & blue. The best part of it is that he is a very wealthy man and if I get a nice little judgement, I'll probably be able to collect. Of course, I don't know how it will turn out, but I sure have good hopes. If I win him, I'm going to sue for about 10 or 15 thousand dollars. Love, I'm just telling you this to show you the possibilities in practicing law. What do you think of a case like that? When I told my uncle & Solomon, they were tickled silly. If it were only in me to be a big bluffer and talk a lot about myself, I can assure you, lots of people would know about it, but I can't do it, so I will leave it to the papers to give me all the notoriety incident to it. Believe me, love, I sure was happy yesterday and am to-day, too.

Last night my uncle told me that he wasn't going to withdraw my application for he says he is pretty sure I won't be black-balled. I hope he is right, but I am quite pessimistic about it, so expect a nice little black-ball. I should worry, Lovie, if I'm black-balled! All I want

is a few more cases like I got yesterday, and I'll be satisfied.

Lovie dear, though you are happy in making your dresses, still I'm not so happy about it. Footsie, please don't work so hard. Instead of sewing so much, why don't you go out and enjoy yourself. Lovie, I'm sure am dupins for your health, so I want you to take care of yourself. Hear?

Love, mine, I am so glad to tell that soon, pretty soon, you will be here! I too, often think of how I will meet you at the station, clasp you in my aching, sorely aching arms, and honey —— kiss you! Lovie it is wonderful to even think of the time when I will have my own precious wife with me, and on Sundays and holidays —— oh Lovie dear, I can't give vent to my emotions, so I will not try to write about it, but will wait until you come, and then —— I'll show you, see if I don't.

Darling, I'll have to close now, so with all my love, inexhaustible and everlasting, and hugs and kisses galore to you, my darling, precious jewel,

Ever longingly & lovingly your own hubby

Joe

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Wednesday

Beloved Toot Mine!-

Just received your darling Sunday's letter and honey, I must tell you again to stop working so hard. Lootie, dear, please don't work until the "wee sma' hours of the morn" as you know, you will hurt your precious eyes and then suffer a good deal from them. Won't you do this for me precious? Please do.

Lovie, things in general are about the same. Business picking up little by little, only the money is not coming in. The $20 I made is still due, as the company is to send me a draft covering that amount. Sure do hope they send it soon. Am going to see the dean to-day. He told me of a fellow-graduate of mine who used to do the same thing that Taylor is doing and wants to turn over to me, so I am going to try and get that from the dean, if I possibly can, if I can't get the other from Taylor. You see, precious, I sure am trying my dandest to have something when you come down.

I told a few lawyers about that case I got & wrote you about. The one where the girl was assaulted. Remember? Well, one lawyer told me to see him as he is going to arrange it so that I can get some notoriety out of it. Honey Love, if everything goes as smoothly as I think and hope for, I sure am going to get some money out of it.

I was just called to the telephone and found that one of the debtors I have a claim against want to see me. I suppose she will settle the claim or pay something on it. If, little by little, my outstanding claims can be settled, I can make a few dollars, and in the meantime, gain a few more clients.

Toots, darling I sure feel a little, just a tiny bit blue and don't know why. Love heart, I certainly do wish you were here and all day I pray for your early arrival. At times, I feel sorry that I didn't take you along with me in the beginning, but then again, I feel that I was right and so feel consoled. Be assured, darling mine, that I am trying my hardest to build up a nice practice so that I can take good care of you.

I just heard that B. Love was discharged from the army and is now in Boston. Hope I can see him so that I can give him a piece of my mind and tell him what I think of him.

Lovie, I'll effect, as a matter a fact, I do expect, to receive your nice big fat letter to-morrow. Sure do hope I'm not disappointed.

How is your darling, precious Footsie? And how are you in general health? Take good care of yourself, darling mine. Don't forget.

Will close now, my precious jewell, with all my love, kisses and hugs, to my own, sweet, wonderful wife

Ever lovingly & longingly yours
Hubby

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February 27th, 1919.
Thursday.

My Own Sweet Precious Wifie:-

How happy I am this morning! Just got your darling big letter of the 24th, and believe me, love, it sure is wonderful. Read and reread it a number of times. Read it in the restaurant, read it in the office and then read it in the Post Office where I had gone to get some stamps. Lovie dear, you just can't imagine how happy your letters make, and I can assure you, they are worth a fortune.

Precious, as for the furniture, I'll say this, that, if I can't get anything to be sure of, I'll order it as you suggested, and when they deliver it and you don't like it, we will return it. You see, love, I really don't know how to buy, castways, home furnishings, but I do so want to have a little home fixed up for you when you come, so that's why I am writing you about it. Love, that ivory set for $99.00 consists of 3 pieces, so I won't buy it I don't think, but will look up for a 4 piece set, and they cost about $150. I am going to buy that set, for it is pretty beyond description, and am sure it will wear and wear well. As for the dishes, love, it is best that we do as you suggest. I thought I would buy it so as to fix up the home as nicely as possible for you, so you will feel satisfied with the home. Lovie, that's what I am trying to do! To show you, as little and as humbly as I can that I do love you. Love you with a clean, honorable love, unflinchable & everlasting. I can assure you I'm after my uncle and will try and make him fulfill his promise. Yes, sweetheart, it sure does make me feel happy to look up the ads for furniture and rooms, for it makes the time so near, and believe me, I sure am happy whenever I think of the time when you will be here with me. Lovie dearest, I love you.

Honey love, I am sure your dress came out lovely. Don't care how Rose teases you about being fat, for you know that even if you are stout, I'll love you just the same. It won't last much longer, love, this teasing, for you will soon, please God, be with your lonesome [redacted] hubby who will always love his beloved, precious little wifie, forever and ever. As far as clothes are concerned, if you can get enough to come here with, it will be fine, but, darling, never you worry about it, hear? For I am here to provide for it, and please God, as my practice grows and money begins coming in, I'll take care of you, honey, so that you will be contented and happy. I know, darling, that the reason you love me couldn't possibly be for what I have given you, for all that I did give you was only my love, but, precious, believe me, that love is pure, honorable and steadfast, and I can assure you that with God's help, I'll give you in addition, a happy and comfortable home. Precious, though this separation is terrible, it has shown us how we love each other, for dear, I can't see another woman when seeing you. Whenever I see an honest, pure little girl, I think of you; think how much I love and miss you! Love dear, it's you that I love and adore! It's only you who can make me happy, and I am sure,

as a matter of fact, I venture that we will both be happy when we are together. What say you, Beloved? My own queen, for you are my queen, and, dearest, I can assure you that it is an honor to be able to say of you that you are my wife, for love, no man is so blessed with such a rare jewel, as I am with you. And for the baby, he sure will be daddy's darling, and of course, the prince of love. He will represent the sacredness of our wedlock, and of the undying love and devotion of you to me and me to you. Love dear, we will be happy, won't we? I sure will try to make you happy, treat you gently, kindly and considerately, for dear, you know how often I've told you, you are not only my wife, but my companion, my comrade! Wherever possible I can go with you, you will go, whatever I will do, let have your wisdom to guide me, and it will be you, love heart who will enjoy the fruits of my labor, you and, please God, our first-born. Oh, how I wish the time to come already when you will be here. I can assure you that I am as happy as I can be when ~~I~~ I think of how near the time is for you to come. Not later than May 1st, please God. I would love to have you leave May 1st, which is Thursday, so you will get here May 3rd, which is Saturday, because then I can be home with you Saturday afternoon & Sunday, without worrying over any loss of cases. You understand, love, don't you? I would take any time off for you to come, but it is to mine better as I stated just now because if I do lose a case, it means you will be deprived of so much, and I sure do not want to deprive you of anything, if I can possibly help it.

Yes, I am darling, the little cases steadily lead up to big ones. Love, do you remember the case I mentioned in one of my recent letters, the one where that little girl came up to see me about her being struck with a pair of shears? Well, I spoke to the dean about it and he told me to proceed immediately and sue; I am going to do so and Monday, I am going to draw up the papers and sue for $25,000.00/100. The dean simply wouldn't rest until I assured him I was going to begin petty soon. He said "Joe, don't slip up on that case", and believe me, Toots, I won't, if I can possibly help it. I told you, love, once before, that whenever I receive or am about to write a letter to you, or whenever I am dreaming of you, it brings me luck. Well this morning, just as I began reading your letter the negress I wrote to you about, and whom you mentioned in your letter came up and gave me $11.00 on account, so I can go on with the divorce papers. I sure did think I lost her as a client, for she didn't show up for nearly a week, but I reckon she must have got a mental telephone from you, and therefore she came on and gave me the case. I am charging her only $15.00 for my fee, but I am satisfied so long as I can get a case. You see, dear, these negroes recommend one another and in that way help to build up a practice. Aren't you happy, love dear? Lord, I sure do hope I get a nice little fat judgment in that big case! Then, too, little by little, I will work up my collection cases, and I am sure, I'll have a nice big practice in time. I only hope for a nice clean practice, criminal or civil.

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I can assure you, love, I'm not afraid of a criminal action or practice. I can never forget that stupid remark that A. J. made. Do you remember? It was at the fishers and he said he was afraid to handle a case where a man's liberty was at stake. I wonder what he would do if he was picked out to defend a man accused of murder, carrying with it the death penalty? By Jove, I'll tell the world, I'd go into it. It would give me a good chance at making a good name for myself. Yes, darling I feel myself that so far, (Knock wood) I've done well, but of course, I'm not satisfied. I am after something big and believe me, I'll get it if nothing inevitable stops me. I forgot to tell you, love, that I am also going to get a few income tax returns to make out. That will be about $5.00 for each, and if I get a nice few, you can see how helpful it will be.

Love dear, you just can't imagine how anxious the dear is to see you. I sure am going to introduce him to you. He sure does take a keen interest in me. As a matter of fact, he always has, that is why I like him so well.

As for the lodge, dearest, I believe I wrote you in my previous letter that my uncle won't let me withdraw. He is going to see whether or not I will be black-balled. Bernatsky recently started talking a little too much, and he found himself at a certain place where he was made to understand that he will have to discontinue talking the way he has. He got into communication dog-gone quick with my uncle and I can assure you, he quit talking to people as he has. He was going around telling people that uncle Morris black-balled Bernatsky, so my uncle just went ahead, without a word, did what he had to, and the result as I just related. That is why my uncle doesn't want to withdraw my application. I sure do hope he is right when he says I will in all probabilities be taken in, and if not, I can assure you, though I will feel badly over it, I won't loose any sleep, so you needn't worry about it.

Honey love, I sure am happy over mother's improvement. I sincerely hope and pray that she will continue so improving. I sure do wish I could see that photo. Maybe, if all goes well, I'll have one made for our home, eh? It sure must be a wonderful piece of work. Well, he sure does deserve a fitting tribute. Sort mine my own dad is my model and I can assure you I'll try and be as true and steadfast as him. Wasn't he wonderful, Sort? and the way he loved you! Always spoke of you as a daughter and, love, you sure did treat him as a daughter and I.

assure you, I will never forget your wonderful conduct towards him at his last illness. Often times it comes to my thoughts, and how plainly I can see you sitting by the bed-side. Honey, I was also glad to read about mom-dear offering you the candle-sticks. She sure does love you, precious, how much so you can't imagine, but I am sure you realize now that she simply adores you. She wrote me how happy she was to think that you will soon come to Memphis.

I am glad that you told Bobby to bring back my uniform. He sure does worry me considerably, as mom-dear writes she he is not behaving himself as he should. I sure do wish he would change. As for Zider, I wrote mom-dear that I was informed here that they in England, will probably take in Russians now, so someone should go to the British Pass-port Bureau, 44 Whitehall St., and see about it before it is too late. Remind her of it, will you, Toots?

Some time Lovie, when I have a little more time, I'll do as you suggest and drop a line to her and inclose it with yours. I certainly am sorry to hear how hard your dad is working, but Toots, $50.00, is money, so you shouldn't feel badly. $50.00 for a week's work is dandy.

Love, I sure was shocked to read about this Will Friedman. And as for his wife, I have absolutely no use for her. Funny, isn't it, I had absolutely no use for her from the start. It is too bad that this incident deprives Barney of help. How is it, Toots, that Nellie has decided to wait another month? She sure is a good kid, to work, willingly, I presume, often she gets there. Love dear, when you come here, you won't work, but you are going to have your own home, and then, whatever work you want to do, you will do.

As to Fargo's wedding, I wrote her mother a letter wishing her the usual best wishes. She sure did work like a trojan, and now I can see mom-dear returning the favor at Fargo's wedding. Love, don't let her work too hard. I want you, love, to enjoy yourself. Hear? I would love to be there and enjoy myself with you, but that is impossible, so you will have to enjoy yourself without me. I really mean it, love heart. Enjoy your precious self as much as you can.

I sure am sorry to hear that about Ada. Poor girl, she certainly is in hard luck. I sincerely hope that she will have better luck, and soon, too. I wish I could help her. I'd gladly do it.

Love, the "flu" is still with me, but not much. The

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papers are full of items stating that the "flu" is a certainty next year. I'll try and take care of myself, love, just as you are taking care of yourself. Dune was glad to read how well your little footsie is getting on. Lovie, remember, take good care of yourself.

Precious, I still remember your admonition to mail my letters on time. It's now 3:15, so will run over to the post office and mail it, so it will catch tonights train, so I will draw this to an end, sweetheart, thanking you for your darling letter and wishing, hoping, and praying for more like them, with all my love, hugs, and kisses to my darling, precious, sweetest and rarest jewell, you, my own wifie,

As Ever your own loving & yearning
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Friday.

Beloved Sweetheart:-

Just received 2 of your darling letters, Tuesday's and Wednesday's and believe me, they certainly were welcome and one was a surprise. Haven't received 2 letters at a time since Monday, but I only pray that your mail should come regular, one a day is alright and satisfies me. I hope that to-morrow I'll receive one, so I hate to even think of a mail-less day.

Love, the disagreement with the doctor is so good. He was much inferior that I didn't know my business, as if he would tell me point blank. Here are the facts. I tried his case and the Squire (general run politicians) asked the doctor if he had a book showing how many calls he made, as in general, Memphis Physicians keep such records, but we couldn't produce a book as the doctor admitted on the stand that he doesn't keep any records like that. Well, the Squire hears all the evidence and says that he will render judgment either for $15 or $20, the amount we sued for. That closed the case. The next day the Squire tells me he wants another man to testify. I couldn't do that because the case was closed, so judgment was rendered against me. The man who wanted to testify is known all over town as a crook, but I didn't know he was so intimate with the Squire. Anyway, I lost and the doctor turns around calls me a "pretty" name and raised asked too many questions. Of course, I can hardly write how I felt! You can't realize the workings of the circumstances on paper, so I'll tell it to you when you come. Well, Miss. Lazaar comes up the office and asked me what was the trouble between me & "the old man" meaning the doctor. She told me he had told her about and how angry I was. She then informed me that he was awfully sorry he did what I just stated, but, feeling so hurt, might because we were so friendly, I can't reconcile myself to speak to him. You may rest assured I'll not make it. He will have to come across with something like an apology before I have anything to do with him. Whatever has happened, I still have about him to other people and recommend him here and there. Don't worry, dear, Miss. Lazaar told the doctor I was right and even told me I was in the right. I'm sure you will like her. She is always asking for you.

Precious wifie I'm sure glad that your darling little footsie is so well. Please do take care of it and try that it does cause you any more pain. The support sure did do a lot of good eh? As for me, thank God I'm continuing to get along

medy and me do hope I don't get any more headaches. Love, you may rest assured that always, always will I love you, and never again will I act as I did, when I was so pig-headed and stubborn. Never will that occur again and love, I'll show you that I mean it. Darling mine, I love you! I love you truly!

Honey, I got a few more collection cases another attorney handed over to me. He told me he would help me out as much as possible. Looking card & also told me the B. here did some collecting for him and that it was wholly unsatisfactory. I presume he would love to have said that he is a crook, but he was too polite. Business is kind of keeping busy. That big case is coming along nicely and so is the new divorce suit I got. Sure do hope I get some more business in a hurry.

Honeybunch, I was tickled indeed about your mother's actions towards my mother. She is very nice & I like her. When I get a little more time, probably Sunday, I'll write her a little note thanking her. I sure will never forget that.

As to Ada, I believe it is best as you suggested. You will be able to talk to Prudence and give him a better line on her than I can. I sure am sorry for her. Hope something good turns up. As for Lane, I don't know what to say. Look does she really care to work? If she gave up such a good job, then there must be something wrong.

Love the girl of that big case is here. I told her to sit down just till I finish this, so beloved wife, I will close now with all my love to you, precious darling wife, wife & kisses & hugs galore,

Ever lovingly & forgivingly your own

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March 1st, 1919.
Saturday.

My Own Precious Love Heart:

No mail from you to-day, I suppose on account of my receiving 2 letters yesterday. I sure do miss your letters and when on any day I don't get any mail, the day seems so long and everything feels empty. Of course, I no, you are doing your bit and writing everyday, so I can't complain. I do hope its Monday already so that I can get a letter from you.

Well, love, I sure did get a shock to-day. I just found out that the girl I am representing in that big damage suit is a married woman. What do you think of that? Of course that is going to hurt my case quite some in that I had intended to put her on the stand and impress upon the minds of the jury that she is a virgin, untouched by man, etc., but now ——— I'll have to inform them that she deserted her husband and he is suing for a divorce. You see, all this will go to prove her character, but I am not afraid and feel certain that if I go to court, I'll get a nice little judgment.

Today one of my friends, an attorney, sent me a very little case out of which I'll probably get 2.00, the whole amount aggregating only $7.00. I think that it very nice of this friend to send it to me, don't you? $2 here and there sure pick up some amount and believe me, I'm satisfied.

Yesterday I got up the petition in my new divorce suit. I don't know whether or not I wrote to you about it, but let me tell you, I sure am rusty on my pleading, and when I got through with the petition, I felt as if I sure did draw up a decent one, comparing it to others I've seen. I feel that little by little it will all come back to me.

Business, love dear, is continuing about the same. Getting cases here and there. Love, would you believe that for February alone, I took in near $140 cash? That's besides what I have in cases and money coming to me. Do you see, sweetheart that mine, if I get that thing from Lowe & Taylor, I'll be making about $100 a month, with the hope and expectations of building up a nice little practice in a short time and then in time, pick up a big, varied practice. Love dear, what do you think of the way I am getting on? Don't you think I'm getting on nicely?

Love, I am terribly lonesome for you. See,

I wish you were here. I can assure you I'll hold you to your promise of this big hikes. I can just picture myself walking along, with you leaning on my arm —— oh Lovie, I am praying for the time to come. Don't worry, except for anything unforseen, you will be with me in May, eh, love-heart?

How are you feeling, precious? Taking good care of yourself? Honey love, don't let Carrie or anyone else bow to rec or do anything else, if it may interfere with your resting or enjoyment, hear? Enjoy yourself, take care of my darling wifie, and He'll be satisfied. And —— love me, precious, I just yearn for your pure, sweet, everlasting love, and Lovie dear, always will I take care of you, adore you, revere you, and love you. Lovie, to the utmost in my power, make you happy and contented.

Shall close now, Lovie, with all my love, hugs, kisses and tender thoughts to you, my own sweet, precious, darling wifie,

Even lovingly and longingly yours truly,

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Sunday.

Precious Love Heart:-

I bid my darling wife good morning, and how are you feeling, Tots. Another Sunday has come around. It seems as if it were only yesterday that it was also Sunday, but it is because I dread Sunday so much these days, that I feel like that. I believe I am going to have an enjoyable day to-day, though, for Mr. Pinstein want me to meet him at about 1:30 this afternoon so we will go somewhere. I sure am glad for I have someone to go with and talk with intelligently.

Love, yesterday I went to the barber's and had a haircut and shave. Of course, I went to Bernatsky's nephew. While I was having my hair cutted operation, he told me that the night March 6th, when they vote on me, he will try and be with me the whole evening so I shouldn't think that he black-balled me if I am black-balled. Love, I'm sure of being black-balled, so I expect it, and therefore I don't think of it any more. After I left the place, I met his intended wife who is Bernatsky's daughter. She asked me when you were coming, so I said May 3rd you will be in Memphis, as you will leave N.Y. on the 1st of May, if nothing unforseen happens. She said "just in time for my wedding", after hemming & hawing a bit she said "you people are on the list", but I sincerely hope & pray that she either loses the list, or it turns up and then forget to invite us. I dread going there, I can assure you. If we are invited, we'll have to go, though.

Well, sweetheart, I suppose you are on duty to-day, aren't you? I wonder if to-day you are writing a nice big fat letter. I sure do hope so. And Tots, did you go anywhere to-day? I sure do hope you went out and enjoyed yourself. Honey, I'm dreadfully lonesome for you! I sure do wish you were here already. I'm looking ads. to buy our own home. I'm keeping an eye out for a nice neighborhood and neat little home, so I can pay $100 or $150 down and the rest rent. I see some ads like that already, but not in a place where I want it. I sure do hope I can have a nice little place fixed up for you by the time you come.

How are feeling in general health love? How is your darling footsie? Take good care of it sweetheart mine, and don't forget your promise to rest up when you become unwell, hear?

I shall close now, love dear, as it getting near mail time, so with all my love to you, my darling, sweet wifie, and with kisses and hugs galore,

Ever lovingly your hubby

Joe

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March 3, 1919.

Monday.

Darling Toots mine:-

Received both your darling letters of Thursday & Friday, and beloved, I feel certain, if nothing unforseen happens you will leave New York May 1st and be here in Memphis on May 3rd. You will give notice at the dispensary the last week in April, love, for I simply can't have you away from me much longer.

Yes, precious wife mine, if I could get a few more cases like the one I got, we would be millionaires in a little while. I got up my complaint in that action, and love, dear, I myself am surprised at the way I drew up. Sure does look fine and makes me feel good to think that after all I haven't forgotten everything I knew. I believe I wrote you that I got an answer to my letter to this man. Wants to settle, of course, but I am just going to file suit for $25,000 and then will answer his "love epistle." As for the divorce, I guess I will get more than one case from her. She assured me she will try her best to get me a few cases and I feel certain she will throw a good deal my way.

I haven't as yet seen Lowell Taylor this or last week. I am trying to get in touch with him and see if he will turn it over to me. Sure do hope he does. And then I am anxious to get that Notary Public, as I am sure that would come in very handy. Little by little, Love dear, my practice will pick up and I am sure I will be able to take good care of you and make you happy and contented. Most of my friends keep telling me that I am making out lovely and that I will eventually make a success. Sure do hope so, for I can assure you I am trying my hardest to build up a nice practice. You'll see, darling mine, how I'll make out!

Sweetheart, I am sorry you don't go out any, but love, you may rest assured, you will make up for lost time when you come to Memphis. Yes, love, we will both make up for what we have been denied and I can now realize how much we have been denied. I can just picture ourselves, in our cozy little home, just you and I, ——— and how happy we will be! Oh, honey love, just to hold you in my arms, kiss you, hug you and love you! My heart now is hungry for it, and love, if I have to get a job and leave go of my practice, I'll do it, if necessary, for I want you here on May 3-d, and nothing will deter me, unless its the inevitable. I am still looking up ads. for furniture and also a nice little location for our little home. Hope I find something. It sure does make me feel happy to look them up!

Love, how is mother feeling? Is she taking good care of herself? Tell her that I do love her and that she forgive me for not writing

her to-day, as I have 101 things to do this afternoon, and its already 1:30. I am kept pretty busy with my few cases, and especially with Uncle Morris's cases, which his attorneys have practically thrown over on me.

Honey love, please pardon my small letters, as lovie, you know, I've got to look after a livlihood for you and — ? — so I'll close now, but will write you a big letter to-morrow, if I can.

With all my love, kisses & hugs to you, my wonderful, sweet, dearest little wifie,

Ever lovingly & longingly yours ever

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Tuesday

My own Sweetheart Toots:-

I just received your darling letter of Saturday and love, I can assure you I am glad that we can write Mark now, for it won't be long to May 1st, and then, my own, into my arms, forever and ever. Love, I'm so glad, you can't imagine, that May seems so near, though it's 60 days yet, but it's 2 short months, and by the time you get this letter and I am answer to it, the month will be half over, so you see, love, with God's help, we will soon be together in our own comfy little home —— and oh, how happy! What do you say, honey love?

I am really sorry mondear was suffering from a sore throat. Why doesn't she write me when anything is wrong? All I get is the usual "everything is O.K." If it weren't for you, love, I'd practically never know how things were going on at home. As for mondear's being angry with me for receiving only 2 letters, I was sorry indeed, but, honey, I really was very busy, what with running here and there, and I hardly had any time to write you any decent size letter. Then again, I have so many letters to write, to Hyman, Edna, your mother, etc., and honestly I had no time to sit down & write. I am going to write to mondear after I finish this & explain.

Honey love, as yet I haven't decided about the bedroom furniture. I'm still looking up the ads, and hope I find something nice. Mr. Epstein, the druggist, was telling me how foolish I was to buy a whole set, especially ivory, now, as he says that when I have you come down, I ought to get a nice bed, brass or wood, the other necessary things to fix up the room, and use that until I get better established and then, fix up a complete home 3 or 4 rooms and everything to match. So love, tell me what I should do. They all tell me to do the same thing, but I want to get the whole set. You see, dear, I want to do that which will bring you most happiness, so "give this your immediate attention" (old stuff) so, love the time is short, I am happy to say, and I want to get settled. I am going to write mondear now about the library furniture, and sure do hope I can get it.

My precious wife, I certainly don't want to experience 8 months in the service. Sweetheart, when I think of it, I, too, feel as if it were a bad dream, and when I think of what you went through, I just feel like hugging you, oh so tight & love you and love you, always and always. Believe me, love, we sure did have some experience, eh! Love, I see in the newspapers that the $60 gratuity also applies to me, so I am going to make application for it as soon

as I hear anything definit about it. That one will come in handy, won't it?

Yes, honey love, I will always think of you just as I do now, only, more, for each day my love for you grows thousand fold, my heart, wings for lonesomeness and believe me, I am hungy, hungy for you, my dear, darling sweetheart wife.

Hubby, I am going to draw this to an end for what I have to tell you, I want to write in answer to your darling, big letter which I am so anxious to receive and which you promised to write, so love dear, I'll close with all my love to you, my own precious, darling wife, and with hugs, kisses & tender thoughts, my darling,

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March 5th, 1919.

Darling Lost:-

Just received your darling Sunday's letter, and I can tell you, your pne are "stingy"! You know I'm only fooling anyway, darling, hope I get a big letter to-morrow.

Love heart I got a case to draw up corporation papers, & must do it to-day, so haven't time to write. Used the school stationary as I am supposing the dean on some matters I need his help in.

Take good care of yourself, love, & pardon this note. Must make a 2 hours trip, and feel that when I get back, it will be too late to write.

How are you feeling, honey love? Don't forget to take good care of yourself. Tell mondear I was to busy to write her to-day. Will answer it probably to-night.

With all my love & Kisses & hugs to you, darling wifey,

Ever lovingly

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Thursday.

My dearest Tootsie:-

Just received your darling big fat letter, and Lord, would just love to answer it as I want to, but I just simply can't as since the last 3 or 4 days, I've been terribly rushed, and as you know, I want to work up a nice practice so that I'll be sure, God willing, that you will be here on May 3rd, 1919, so I'll just write a few words to-day, and leave everything for the big letter, and in it I have some good news.

Darling mine, even in this short letter, I must express my lonesomeness for you. I just yearn for you, darling, and as water of late, I often believe I'm unwell, feeling as if my heart is constantly heavy, and my thoughts always with you.

Love, a woman whom I respected and about whom I'll write to-morrow, has just come in, so please darling, forgive this short letter. You will be happy after I tell you in to-morrow's letter of what I have accomplished in 6 days.

Shall close, Love, with all my love to you, my own darling wife, nearest & dearest in all the world,

Ever lovingly
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March 7th, 1919.
Friday

My darling Honey Rose:-

This is in answer to your darling big letter of Monday, which I received yesterday. Up to this hour of writing, I didn't receive a letter for to-day, but perhaps its delayed, and may come sometime this afternoon.

Precious baby mine, your letter sure was wonderful, and I sure was made happy by it. Love, you have a knack of making me feel happy with your loving letters and make me yearn all the more for you. Honey don't care to have your work so hard on your clothes. If you haven't enough by the time you come here, you'll buy some here, and by doing so, we will be just as economical as if you made them yourself, for then your health would be taken care of. Love, please don't work so hard, dear! Instead of resting the 2 Sundays that you had off, you worried your dear self too hard to suit me so, please just take it easy, and enjoy yourself as much as you can. You may be sure, my own Sweetheart, that we will make up for all we lost, when you come here. Darling, you should have enjoyed yourself with rest when Morris & his friend came, so that you wouldn't work so hard. I am glad that he is out, & when you see him again, remember me to him.

Yes, beloved, I saw that bed-room set I wrote to you about, and have made up my mind to buy it, if nothing else shows up. It consists of a chiffonobe, bed, dresser & dressing table, and I can assure you, Honey, that it does look pretty. I can hardly describe it honey love, all I can say is that it is wonderful. I am going to hang it up to my uncle, and make him buy the best, so the rest won't cost me so much. I am sure, honey love, you will like it. Then, a day or two ago, I wrote Mondean for the library set, and that will cost something to get it here, but, it sure will be worth it. If Mondean decides that we can have it, I would like for you to have a man from some reliable storage company, call and give you an estimate as to what it would cost to pack & crate the articles and how they would charge to ship it here. The doctor told me they charged him $40.00 for 5 rooms of furniture and they did the whole work. As for the rooms, I expect I can get 3 rooms for about $20 or $15 a month and it will be in a nice neighborhood. I am sure, love, that everything will come out O.K. once you are here.

Love, if everything goes O.K., I want you to leave N.Y. ~~about~~ May 1st so that you can be here on the 3rd. Believe me, my precious, I do miss you, and yearn for you. Honey love, I'm terribly lonesome, at times I feel as if I will go plumb crazy. My nights are dreaded, Sundays, I don't know what to do with myself, so you see love, that

~~that~~ you must come here as soon as possible. Of course, it will be quite hard for us at first, but dam sure, everything will pick up. As yet, I haven't landed any income tax returns, but Mr. Epstein is helping me out as much as he can and perhaps I'll land a few yet. You may be sure, each $5 bill counts and I'm out after them too. Honey love, there is no need writing how lovely everything will be when my practice is firmly established, and believe me, baby Toots mine, we sure will be happy ~~when such~~ with each other. I'm trying my best to build up a nice practice and firmly believe it will come in time Toots, I want to tell you about what happened & how much I made from the 1st to the 4th, or 5th rather. I made $11.00 clear, then yesterday I made $5, making a total for practically $22.00 for this week, and the best part of it is that I made it without even having to go to court. The other night a man, who had often promised me that he would help me out, called me up & asked me to go right down to his store, which I did, and there he introduced me to another man, who employed me to draw up articles of incorporation for which I charged him 15.00. That was the easiest money I ever made. It didn't take me more than 15 minutes to draw it up. The president of another company of which the new one is a subsidiary is a very wealthy woman and I believe I pleased her with my work & feel sure if any thing turns up, she will help me by throwing it my way. Then, another woman against whom I have a little claim, called & told me that her brother is having a little trouble with his wife and that he will come up and see me & will take me as his lawyer. You see, love, that little by little, things come, thereby building up a nice big practice. Little by little, sweetheart, little by little, it will come, and love, how happy I will be to be able to properly care for you. Don't worry, love, everything will come out O.K.

Precious love, as soon as I get an opportunity, I will write to your mother. I love so much to do, that I hardly have the time to write, but you may rest assured, at the opportunity, I'll write. I'm sure am glad ~~that~~ your dad has made so much money. I sure do hope he continues to make a lot of money. Remember me to him.

Honey love, please have a good time at the wedding, won't you, honey love? It sure is splendid of you to fix up Henry for the wedding, but of course, it's no surprise. It's just like your dear darling little self to do things like that, and sweetest wifie, I'll never forget it either. I'm sure sorry I can't be there for the wedding, for then I would know that you

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would enjoy yourself. Lord! Sorta how I would love to hold you, oh, ever so tightly, in my arms, and to squeze and hug you, and kiss you! Honey love, I simply adore you, for I don't know why the Almighty ever blessed me with such a wonderful little woman as a wife, for you are simply a rare, precious jewell, and one for whom I'm ready to sacrifice my life. Yes, darling, I love you, I love you, and I can hardly put down on paper how much I do love you, but, believe me, Love, when we are together, I sure will show you.

Honey love, Herman Goldberger was up to see me yesterday. He want to move right next door me so we could both practically be partners, but I just nipped it in the bud, and told him I'm out for myself, and am entitled to suffer as much as is necessary so long I'm out for myself. I told him of the notes I had against him and he promised me he would pick them up as soon as he gets some money. He also told me something that made me smile broadly. He said "I met your cousin (?), Jon, a young dentist by the name of Barney Friedman. Ben Love took me with him & introduced us. He has a fine suite of offices in one of the best building in the city of Atlanta. He is either making a lot of money, or he sure has got plenty of backing". What do you think of that? I asked Goldberger how Barney was getting on, but he replied that he didn't know, as he didn't go into it far enough. Honey love, I'm dog-gone glad I didn't go into a large building, for I'm doubtful if I would have made out so well as I have. Goldberger is just wild over my little office & says I have one as nice as any; but of course, I still must fix it up with plenty of books. By the way, ask the storage man, while you are about it, to include the book-case at your mother's house, and to pack up the books, too. If you don't care to have the book-case, I don't either, so sell, darling, if you can sell it, and then buy yourself something, so that you won't have to work so hard. I love, love, that you get that vacation.

Honey love, when you become unwell, (I suppose by now that you are), I want you to promise me that you will take

very, very good care of yourself and rest up as much as possible, won't you, darling mine. Please do. Whenever the time comes around, I begin worrying over you, hoping that you are taking care of yourself and resting up as much as possible. I'm am happy, very happy, that your precious footsie is so well, so please, darling, continue taking good care of it, so that it won't bother you any more. Yes, beloved, putty soon, please God, letter, for us, will be a thing of the past, for everything we will want to tell each other, we tell it with kisses and hugs, eh, my own precious darling wifie?

Honey love, I just was interupted and got another little case. Leffert let's made a few doolars out of it. The man saw my sign (wonderful sign) and came up. Wants me to sue the R.R. Co., for their breaking his ~~of~~ stove. Hope I can make a client out of him.

Precious baby, though I didn't care to tell you at first, let's tell you now, because it's all over. I had a nasty headache for 3 days. Mrs. Pristera gave me a dose of Sal Hepatica, for he said it was from my stomache, but I am alright now, and when you come here, love ——— will I suffer from my stomache? Not much, love, for we'll have home made cooking, eh, Footsie?

Honey love, I'll shall bring this to an end now, as I must "attend strictly to business" now and attend to my official "mail", so with all my love, kisses, tender thoughts, hugs and squeeze to you, my darling wifie, for whom I am yearning, and for whose kisses & love I am hungry.

Ever lovingly & yours own

Hubby

Don't forget, love heart, enjoy yourself at the wedding & tell Aunt Nonie to send me a few pieces of strudel & little cakes. Take good care of yourself, and precious mine, see that Mondeau enjoys herself, too.

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Saturday

Darling Wifie:-

After I mailed my letter to you yesterday, I received your darling letter of Tuesday, and this morning received your Wednesday letter. I reckon I'll receive your Thursday's letter some time this afternoon, so there is one due me for to-day.

Honey love, when I read your Tuesday's letter, I just feel like leaving for New York and just catch you in my arms and hold you, oh, so tightly! You were "blue", weren't you, pet, but, lovie, you must always bear in mind that you will leave for Memphis May 1st. I myself, can't stand it any longer. Please God, if things don't continue like they are, even if it is greeter in the summer months, you will be here. I am counting the days for you to come and don't intend to let anything, except, of course, the inevitable, deter your coming. I feel sure, lovie, we'll pull through the quiet months until I get firmly established. As you say, Toots, we will simply have to be very economical in the beginning. I am certain of being able to make a nice living in a short while. No, dearest, I haven't saved anything, for my offenses are as great, practically, as my earnings. You see, it cost me over a dollar a day for food, alone, and then, I don't get enough. I feel, dear, that my own personal effences is just enough for two. My food, laundry, incidentals, combine over $30 a month, besides my office rent, and the like. Then again, something is bound to crop up whereby a nice fee can be made, so you see, dearest, that it will be best for you to come. As to Taylor's proposition, he's still effeminating on it, but I am still living in hopes that he will turn it over to me. Perhaps this month I can get made a few dollars from the income tax returns. Also, next month my application for a Notary Public will be acted upon & I sincerely hope I get it. My big case I haven't filed yet, as I am awaiting word from some one. I effect I'll put it in court some time next week. You may be sure, lovie dear, I'll try my best to make something out of it, worthwhile. Each by little I'm getting back into my old form, and it won't be long before I'm finally back in it, good and proper. I ordered 3 books which are absolutely necessary and they amount to $50.00. I'll pay them off little by little, so you see, where money goes to, but I am sure those books will bring me money for they are State procedure books and save me the expense, for a while, of a library.

As for rooms, dear heart, I'm looking up either a little cottage of 3 rooms or a flat of 3 rooms. If I can't get a cottage less than 4 rooms, I might still take it and keep one room closed until we can furnish it up nicely. What do you think? All I want to do is to get a nice little home for you. Of course, I'll look for a place with moderate rent.

Honey love, though I effect I'll be officially notified some time later, I was advised that I was accepted by the Masonic Lodge. Got in, after all. Though I wasn't black-balled yet, I hope I won't be black-balled before I am a Mason for fair. You see, though I am elected to the

Mason's I'm not a mason until I get the 3rd degree. Toots, don't for one minute think that the dues to the lodge will interfere with our expenses for if I feel I won't be able to afford it, I'll hold up on it until I can. I'll probably have my uncle help me out in that respect, too. Mr. Lazar, I am sorry to say, was black-balled. I can't imagine by whom. The secretary of the lodge was glad that I got in, as he says that they want professional men, as many as they can get. He, me was sorry that the doctor was black-balled.

As to Mr. Pinsteen, love, he is single, but he has very little time for himself as you know all about druggists, there is no week end telling you how they live. On Sundays, though, he get a few hours off, and then we go out. Go to a show, talk about different things. He's me a nice fellow and I do like him a good deal. He is anxious to see you here, already and always keep talking about you.

I'me was glad to hear about that nurse. Honey love, I'me do wish we were together already, and had our own little home and ——? don't you precious? Darling mine, if I could only describe to you on paper, how much I love you, and how I miss and yearn for you! Every day I dream and think of you. Constantly talk about you to everyone I know! Honey love, I love you! I worship and adore you! You are so wonderful, and oh, how I'd love to make you happy, comfortable & contented here, in our own little home! It won't be long, love dear, before you are here, and believe me, boots darling we'll make up for lost time. What nice long lazies, on beautiful days, and happiness all around —— Love, don't you think we'll be happy together, you with me and me with you? Honey love, just don't you worry. Everything will come out O.K. & please God, you will be here May 3rd. Don't forget love May 3rd, if God spare me. You will leave N. Y. on May 1st.

Honey precious mine, I certainly am happy that you have gotten over your illness. Honey love, don't forget to take good care of yourself. I am taking good care of myself as much as possible, so don't worry your darling self over me, dear. Sure, I am working hard, but for what, dearest, you know, don't you? little by little, it's coming. I am still after that Mr. Goodman, and though he hasn't sent me anything since the gypsy, I feel that as soon as he gets anything, he send it to me.

With all my love, kisses, hugs and tender thoughts to you, my darling, precious wifie, whom I love better than life itself and for whom I am yearning and pining,

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March 9th, 1919.
Sunday.

Darling Wife:-

Late yesterday afternoon I received your Thursday's letter and honey was glad that you received my letter before you mailed it, as I noticed your remark upon the envelope.

Well, Lovie dear, how did you enjoy yourself at the wedding last night? I sure do hope you enjoyed yourself. I sure did want to be there so I would make sure you would have a good time. Did they leave you off for to-day? And how did mondeau enjoy herself? Let me know love heart, how everything turned out.

Honey love, this is Sunday. Time sure does fly when you don't want it, and when you do, it doesn't. Why can't it be May 3rd already? To-day is ideal. Everybody is out walking. Wives, husbands & sweethearts, but I am all alone, yearning for my sweetheart wifie. Honey dear, I am just waiting for the time to come when you will be here, for then we'll both make up for lost time. We will go here and there, enjoying ourselves and receiving all that we have been denied, eh, sweetheart love?

My practice, darling, is growing little by little. On one of my small collections I got a case where I will make probably $25 or $50. Did I told you about that woman against whose brother I had a claim for $19 50/100, didn't I? Well, love, she brought her brother up to see me yesterday afternoon, just as I was about to leave. She told me she was pleased with my conduct toward her and her brother and assured me she will throw more than a few cases my way. You see, Lovie, of how much I can derive from the little cases.

Yesterday I received another book from the publishers and that leaves just one more to come, the Statutes of Tennessee, I have 2 already. Their receipt has made me quite happy, for now I need come on to no one when I want to draw up a pleading. When I get the last named book, I'll be U. K. & ready to answer any question as to the laws of Tennessee. I hope I get it about Monday or Tuesday, I expect I will for they send it express.

Honey love, when you don't get my mail in the usual mail, please don't lose hope, for in all probabilities it will come in the next mail, as I am always writing to you and try hard, very hard, to see that you get the mail regularly. Don't, for one minute think I've forgotten your admonitions about it, so you can rest assured I will always mail my letters in due time so that you can get them regularly.

And how are you feeling, honey love? How are you in general health? Are you still taking care of yourself? I sincerely hope so, as you mustn't forget you promised me you would. And your darling little footsie? I sure do hope its U. K. by now. Honey love, I intended to write to your mother

to-day, and will if I get a chance, but if I don't, I will write to her about Tuesday, as, to date, I have nothing set for that date. For tomorrow I have a dozen letters to write, in collection cases, and other odds and ends, and have to-day, so Tuesday is the earliest, if I can't to-night.

Well, honey love, must bring this to an end. Don't worry, Lovie, you will, with God's help, be here on May 3rd, which is Saturday, the first one in May, hear? With all my love to my precious, darling, sweetheart wife, and with all my hugs and kisses, and with hopes you have enjoyed yourself thoroughly last night,

Ever lovingly and longingly your own

Stubby

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NOTICE OF ELECTION TO CANDIDATE

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Mr. Jos. M. Freedman
45 Goodbar Bldg.

Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure to inform you that at the Regular Communication of Leila Scott Lodge No. 289, F.& A.M., held on Wednesday, Thurs. 3-6th *191* 9*, you were elected to receive the* E.A. *Degree.*

Please present yourself at the Masonic Temple Thursday *evening* March 13th *at* 7 *o'clock, to receive the Degree.*

Yours fraternally,

SECRETARY

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March 10, 1919
Monday

My darling little Wife:

Just received your darling letter of Friday & Saturday, and, love, I am sorry I couldn't let you have a big letter for Saturday, but, I got mine, and was glad you understood conditions as they are.

Yes, honey love, I am busy, and that is what makes me feel elated over things. By being busy, means money, and we sure do need that "filthy lucre"; what do you say, love. If you were only here, precious, I sure would be supremely happy, for you could be with me, enjoying the fruits of my labor. I can assure you, I yearn for your sweet and comfort, but as you say, no use worrying over it, for as each day passes, it means one day nearer to our reunion, and honey love, if it within my power, there will be no further separation. Let had a taste of being separated from one who is most precious to me and don't care to have to undergo it again. It's 8 months, love, since we took our sacred vows, to love, honor and respect each other, and, honey love, when I think of it, I can't help thinking of how God blessed me with an angel Darling, you are wonderful, and I love you, love you more than life itself, and please God, when you come here, I'll show you. I couldn't help thinking of our wedding when I think of Paige, and I keep wondering, how happy they are going to be, as I know Paige. Who wouldn't, sweetheart, have such fond recollections of his matrimonial venture, when he has such a rare and precious jewel as I have in you.

As for Mr. Pinstein, he made the following proposition. He is looking for another store that he want to open and have someone he can rely upon. I mentioned Rose, of course, so he said that he would like to have you or Rose take charge of the store. I told him that he would have to eliminate you, as I won't permit you to work so he then spoke of Rose. I told him that I would like to have Rose take charge but asked him how he would like me up? He said that he would be willing to do anything to help me & the family. We are now looking for a nice place where we can open a place, on your name, and with a few hundred dollars, (of the amount) I would run too and at present desire the benefits out of it. Pinstein will supply us with the stock instead of having to bother with drug houses, for a while, anyway. What do you think of this? Of course, I am going deeply into it before I do anything. Give me your opinion? You see, when you come here, you will get what is known as reciprocity papers so we can have the right to open up a drug stal and Rose & another registered man or woman could take entire charge. I am very anxious to do

Honey love, Mondeau wrote me that she will talk to you about the furniture. I have your clipping and will compare it with the stuff they have here. Mondeau cannot spare the chair of the library set, so I will get the chair & buffet or china closet for the living room. Don't worry, love dear, about the bedroom set. I'll get the wrong set.

I am enclosing, herein, the official notification of my entrance to the Masonic Lodge. What do you think of it? Hope I will be equally fortunate in getting to be a Notary Public.

Love dear, to-day I am sending for my $60 loan. I was advised that I will probably get it in about 2 or 3 weeks.

Honey love, Mabie's case is coming on Thursday, and we are having some trouble. His attorneys are making me attend to it, and I must be prepared. Must go to the Courthouse this afternoon, so love, will close now with all my love, hugs, kisses and tender thought to you, my darling, future wife,

Ever lovingly & longingly yours

Hubby.

Hope I get that big letter pretty soon.

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March 11th, 1919
Tuesday

My Own Darling Wife:-

Today was a maiden day for me, and sure do feel "blue" over it. I get that way when I don't hear from you. Suppose I got to-day's letter yesterday. Well honey love, the woman I wrote about, came up today and turned the case over to me. Sure do hope I get some money out of them already. Sam going to charge them $50.00. Sure is a good case and after I'll make a name out of that, too. Sam enclosing a clipping with my name appearing as attorney. You see, Toots, that the way a practice is built up. I have been very busy to-day, running here and there. Met some of the biggest people in town which sure did make me happy, as my name will undoubtedly travel around. Little by little, honey love my practice is growing, creeping, crawling, and in the near future, walking, as it were. I am constantly praying that the time soon come round for you to be here.

Love dear, I was talking about the Masons, with my uncle and he told me he knew about my being elected the same night I was voted on. I asked him why he didn't tell me that night instead of making me wait so long, and he replied that he wanted me to be surprised when I get the letter of official notice. Bernotsky's nephew was up the store and asked uncle Morris whether or not I got the letter. He was worried, as my uncle told him that if I was black-balled, he, my uncle, would go to Washington about it and have a trial. Anyway, love, I got in, and the question now is, whether or not I will go further indistinguished. Sure do hope so.

Toots mine, I am still looking up the ads for furniture contemplating what stuff to buy, but honey, don't you worry, I won't get a brass-bed. I am going to get just what you want. I am also looking for a nice place I can buy off, if I can't get any like that now, I'll get a flat, until I find something better.

Next month, love dear, my application for notary will be acted upon. Sure do hope & pray I get it. Have often thought that if I get into the Masons, I'll get the Notary Publicship too. I sure do hope my thought come true.

Honey love, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? And your darling little foot? I sure do hope

it doesn't bother you any more. Let me know, Lovie dear, just how you are feeling. Don't forget to take good, good care of yourself. Don't worry about me, dearest, as I am getting along splendidly.

Will close now, with all my love, kisses, hugs, and tender thoughts to you, precious, darling wifie mine,

Ever lovingly your own

Hubby

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

No. 14978, R. D.—In the Circuit Court of Shelby County, Tenn.

Minnie Sampson vs. Lucius Sampson.

It appearing from the petition filed in this cause, which is sworn to, that the residence of the defendant, Lucius Sampson, is unknown, and cannot be ascertained upon diligent search and inquiry.

It is therefore ordered, that he make his appearance herein at the Court House of Shelby County, in the City of Memphis, Shelby County, Tenn., on the first Monday in April, 1919, and plead, answer, or demur to complainant's bill for divorce, or the same will be taken for confessed as to him, and this cause proceeded with ex parte; and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four weeks in The Daily Court News.

This 10th day of March, 1919.

A True Copy—Attest:

JAS H. BRETT, Clerk.

H. E. HARRISON, D. C.

Joseph M. Freedman, attorney for complainant.

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March 12, 1919.
Wednesday.

Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling little letter of Sunday, but I am sorry to say, I was just a bit disappointed, as I thought I would get a big fat one to-day, but I expect I'll get it to-morrow, love, so I am satisfied.

Honey love, I am very, very busy, so this will have to be a short letter. I am sure that, though you will be disappointed in the shortness of this letter, you will be happy at the following news. I wrote you, honey love, about that case I got from the party against whom I originally had a claim and said I would charge $25 or $50, but I changed my mind and am going to charge $100.00, and am going to try and get some money on account to-morrow, if I can. I know that this will have to be paid monthly, as this man hasn't any money, but has a good job. Then, to-night, I must make out an income tax return, and will probably make $15.00 on that. As yet, lovie dear, I haven't heard from Lowell Taylor about that proposition, but I still have hopes of getting it and also the Notary Publicship.

To-morrow night I go up for initiation in the Masons. I was told that a very prominent man in Masonic circles is trying dog-gone hard for me, business and socially. Sure do hope I can get something out of him. Little by little, honey love, my practice is growing. In eleven days, have taken in $30. Not so bad, is it. Toots? Sure do hope it keeps up.

Lovie dear, I'll bet you worked hard at the wedding, didn't you? And how did they act down at the dispensary when you showed up the next day? Did they talk alot? You showed wrong if they did. How are you feeling, sweetheart mine? Love dearest, I sure do love you, and constantly I am thinking of you. I feel like writing a great deal to-day, but I can assure you that I haven't the time. I am keeping my promise, darling, and am at least letting you have a few words, so that you can have your mail as usual.

Shall close now, darling, with all my love, hugs, Kisses and tender thoughts to you, my precious, darling wife,

Your Ever lovingly & terribly lonesome

Hubby

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March 13, 1919
Thursday.

Darling Wife:-

Just received your wonderful long letter of Monday, and honey, I'm sure assure you, it made me happy. I felt "blue" yesterday because I had only received a very short letter, and the day before, none at all. I felt as if I could hardly await this morning to get the mail, and you can believe me truly, when I say I was happy when I beheld it. Sweetheart, when I read how you felt that night when you thought of the parting that must come when you leave, I couldn't help thinking of the old adage: "It's a wise father that knows his own child". Toots darling, I can hardly describe how wonderful you are. You are so gentle, considerate, kind and lovable! You haven't forgotten how much your mother suffered for you, and I can readily see how appreciative you are. Honey love, my main ambition is to take care of you, make you happy and contented as you justly deserve. Believe me, love, I know it was a long time coming, but when it does, it will be so much sweeter. Yes, wifie dear, as soon as we get settled down, and I have Mondean and the family properly provided for here, we will take our first vacation to New York, and what is more, as often as I can afford to, so that you will be able to see your folks. Only, darling, please don't grieve so. The time is very near, and the day "Der Tag" (May 1st) is overdue, and you will come then into your own. Honey love, don't you worry about being able to cook. Anything you make is better than I can ever get while here, and I can assure you that we will both have much and to spare, in time. Often times, my headaches do come from my stomach, and as soon as I feel that something is wrong, I take something to relieve it. I will do as you say, darling, I will take care of myself as best as I can, so that you won't have any cause to worry.

Precious mine, you will positively leave N. Y. on May 1st, that is, if the unavoidable doesn't occur. I want you here, with me, as quickly as possible, so, regardless of what the people at the hospital say, you will take your vacation in the middle of April, prepare for your trip and then ———? You know Lorie don't you? Love, this is what's troubling me. How much will you need for the trip? I will make arrangements to borrow $100.00. Now, do you want that for the fare, or shall I keep it here for you when you come so that we may have a few extra dollars in the house. I would much rather send it to you for your fare & incidentals, so I will send it to you, if I don't hear from you to the contrary. I can't help it, Tootsie, but I am terribly lonesome for you. I do so want you here with me, so you just put in your application, immediately, for your vacation and be as independent about it as if you were an heiress. Hear? In the mean time, I'll try my best to keep along until May 3rd and then honey, believe me, we sure will be happy. Don't worry any further over it, for everything will come out O. K., my darling wife will be with me, and I will work & work & work to take the very, very best care of her. But remember, honey love, don't grieve and cry, but take things easy, for the time is not far away, and we both will make up for lost time.

Honey dear, don't worry about the furniture, as I have already made up my mind. I am going to buy the ivory set, and will pay it off on terms. So for all that Mondean sends me, you can assure her that I will

pay her for it, but first, I want to pay her the $100.00 she kindly let me have. Believe me, honey love, a mother is a mother after all, and I am will try my best to pay her for what she has done for me. After all, Toots, I might do as you say, take you to an hotel for a day or 2 and have the rooms and furniture ready so that when you come all you will do will be just to arrange the fixings, etc., but again, I might not, for I simply am anxious to have a home fixed up for you when you come. It good you sold that book-case to your mom, with the davenport, as I would much rather get another one, one more in style. Wouldn't you? As for the shipping offence for the stuff that mom can send, I can easily provide for that, for whatever it costs it wouldn't cost as much as much as I would have to pay for things if I bought them here. Darling, you just decide with mom dear, as to what she can spare. Before I forget, love, when do you want me to send the Trunk and where, or would you rather buy a new big one. If you want to buy a new one, let me know, and I will send you the money. (Hon.)

Honey love, I'll write to your mother at the first chance I get, so you needn't worry on that score. Several times I started to write, but couldn't finish, as one thing or other would turn up. You see, darling how busy I was, if I couldn't write you as much as I wanted to in the other letter. I am glad that Barney made out well, and hope he continues. The small building is the only thing to start on, and when times are such that I can afford to move into more spacious quarters I'll do so. As it is, I have a pretty office, nice and comfortable, and an excellent location. I sure do wish you were here to see it. Some day, though, eh? I told you in yesterday's letter that I was going to get an income tax return to make out, well, I did, last night, and got $3.00 If my personal offenses wouldn't be so great, I would have been able to save a few dollars, but anyway, I am glad that I can say, I'm making my offense as light. Here is some good news, too. Last night, Mr. Pinsteri's brother asked me to write a letter for him which I did and being pleased with it, he asked me to take care of his books. I told him I would be glad too, for I would only have to see him 1 night a week & make necessary entries. I don't know when he want me to begin, but I believe by the 1st of April anyway, and will get probably $12 or $15 a month, which will be a steady income. So you see, if I get that it will mean, with my students $10, when $20 or $25 a month steady income. Isn't that fine, Toots? Then, this fellow Pinsteri, the man that want me, is very wealthy and has a nice dry-goods store business, so I feel sure that I will get a little law business from him besides. Sure did feel happy last night over that. Herman Goldberger is hanging around. Hasn't decided yet what to do. I would rather be in partnership with my darling little wifie, though. I must say, Toots, that Goldberger did surprise me. He took care of my cases, and won them for me, so all I have to do is to write these different people and see if I can collect my fees on them. What do you think of that, eh? A little different from what B. G. Lee did, eh? Honey love, little by little, business is picking up, and if I get that Notary Publicship, I'll be alright.

Honey love, I sure thought that the wedding would be entirely different from what you described it to be. I sure am sorry to know that you

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worked so hard, as did mumdear & Rae. So you found out who took care of me for a penny when I was young, eh? See, didn't I tell you, the ladies were wild (?) for me when I was young? Reminds me of the old joke "when a fellow's young, the big girls kiss him, and when he gets older, the little girls kiss him." You have heard that before, haven't you? Certainly was sorry that the Lippmans had such a hard time there. By the way, love dear, your hubby me is negligent with his mail. You want to bawl him out one in a while. I haven't as yet answered Lipmans' last letter, but as soon as I get time, I'll write him, too. I sure do hope that the bridegroom didn't return his suit with your mother's gift. He and his "petite & demure little wife" are both so clever, that they're liable to do anything. Would like to get the cakes "Lanie" Rose promised to send me. Certainly was sorry that Rose lost her pin, but for her birthday, we'll send her a nice one for a gift, eh, Tootsie! I sure am glad that the wedding is over with and hope all hard work attached to it is over, too. Honey love, I could just imagine how you felt at the ceremony. Oh, Toots, Toots, if I could only be with you already! I yearn for you so! Each day, I love you more and more. As each day passes, I figure up the remainder to see how much longer you will be away. Honey love, no more! Hereafter, wherever I will go, you will go, for separation from you, is practically quite impossible. One thing though, honey love, it sure has taught me what love means, didn't it? I am surprised myself to see how this separation has caused me to suffer. I just simply can't stand it. Everything I do, wherever I go, I feel that something is constantly tugging at my heart strings, and honey, believe me, I'll be keeping on loving, and hugging you all - all the time, forever and ever. Honey love, I'd give 10 years of my life just to give you a kiss! It sure does make me happy to even think that the time is so near that I will be able to give you and get a kiss. Honey love, believe me, I'm going to make up for all the kisses I missed. Sure, love, would have liked to see Henry E. in the blouse you made for him. He sure is some kid.

As for Mr. Logan, I've been so busy, and so has he, that we don't see very much of each other. If I am out and he's in, he takes any message for me that comes, and vice versa. Darling, write to him if you so desire, but I for one, don't care to interfere. As for Mrs Logan, I'll give her your regards. She is trying for me to make up with the Doc, but somehow, even now, I feel the hunt. Maybe, some day, everything will clear up.

I am ready to file my big suit for damages, and then have another little case to set for trial. What do you think of this: Bernatsky turned over a little case to me, where he wants to sue. I sure was surprised that he should give me any kind of a case. Must

on? Darn sure, Lovie, that everything will turn out alright. My practice will continue to grow, and then we'll have easy sailing, eh? You may be sure, Lovie dear, that I am trying best to make a nice living, and eventually am certain, I will succeed.

Precious baby, don't worry, the time will soon be here and you will be happy and contented. Follow the same advice you give me. Just keep thinking of how near the time is, when you will be in Memphis. As a matter of fact, love, you should begin preparing actually to pack up. Don't forget to let me know about the trunk. Then again love, try and get your things in one place, the place where you are going to do your packing, so you won't have very much running around to do.

Honey, tonight I go to the lodge to be initiated. Will go along with my uncle and Benatsky's nephew. Sure do hope it's over with, already.

My darling, will have to close now, as I have several appointments to keep and don't want to miss the mail, so, precious jewel mine, with all my love, kisses and hugs to you, my own darling wife, and hoping, trusting, and praying that soon, very soon, we will be happily together, and thanking you, darling, my own, for your sweet, pure wishes for a good night and with a God bless you and spare you, my own wife, light of my life,

Yours terribly lovingly and loving fully

Joe

Honey love, have I answered your dear questions? If I haven't, precious, scold me, but don't, please don't stop "alovin and alugging" me. Will you, Toots? I love you, darling, I love you!

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CHARTER FOR CHARCOAL.

Application for a charter for the Globe Charcoal Company, capital stock of $15,000, was filed Tuesday with the county register. Incorporators are: Theodore Lederach, J. R. Gaskins, G. A. McKee, Edgar Lee, Jr., and Joseph M. Freedman.

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March 14, 1919.
Friday

Darling Wife:

Just received both of your darling letters of Tuesday and Wednesday and am extremely happy to write you that I successfully passed the initiation last, without being killed. I assure you, love, that it was most impressive and such that I will remember to the last day of my life. Uncle Morris was sick yesterday, but he couldn't rest, so he came to the lodge in time to see me go through. He certainly treated me wonderfully well, and last night told me he was going to see me all the way through, so far as money is concerned. So you see, dear dear, how anxious he is for me to go through. I am sure, too, that, please God, if I go through without being black-balled, I sure will derive a great deal of benefit and see where I can meet a number of nice young men, who I want Rose to meet. Certainly am sorry that Dr. Layan was black-balled, but perhaps he'll get in sooner or later, but first must let 12 months elapse from the time of his rejection. Now I am awaiting the results of my Notary Public application. Hope that goes through, too, as well as getting that proposition from Taylor.

As to Pinstein's offer, I am not ready to advise mondeau, as I want to be very, very careful of her money. I am sure I'll find something nice for her. I am still looking for a place where we can open a drug store, if possible, as I would like to get something for Rose. I am going to speak to Pinstein further about it and be able to come to terms. As I go along, honey love, I'll advise you. I sure am constantly on the alert for something for mondeau.

Honey, about the furniture, all we will have will be a bedroom set, library set, and kitchen furniture. I now realize that we don't need a living room set. If mondeau lets us have the table, I will buy the chairs to it. Mondeau wrote me that she will give us the desk, too. I suppose by now you spoke it over with mondeau. Let me know what she said.

Toots, if mondeau has the time and can make a strudel, I sure hope and desire one. Rike he's much better than Tante Rosie's. Rose wrote me, telling me of how mondeau felt and suffered at the wedding. It sure must have been awful, wasn't it? According to what Rose says, Tante Rosie surely didn't act as she should. Anyway, no use crying over spilled milk, it's over, and am glad of it.

The enclosures, love, show you that I got that charter of incorporation, and sure was glad that I was successful. Hope I get a few more of them. Easy money, that.

I am getting cases little by little. My big damage suit will be filed shortly. I expect a lawyer from Ripley, Tenn., where this

action will be brought, to be here to-morrow, and make arrangement for him to come in on it.

Honey love, sure do miss you terribly. I am constantly talking of and about you. You can hardly realize how much I love you, how I yearn for and miss you. If you were only here, I can assure you that we would be, oh so happy! Love dear, the month of March is nearly half way gone, so that leaves us about 6 weeks between us, before I can[illegible] have my own darling wifie here with me. Won't we be happy, eh, sweetheart.

Honey love, I will have to close now, as I am in the midst of preparation for to-morrow's case, which is the one I'm getting $100 for. I got $10.00/100 already, so you see, I got something already, so with all my love, kisses, and tight, tight squeezes and hugs,

Your own ever, welcomely husby,

Jim.

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Saturday.

My darling Wifie:-

No mail to-day, honey, and me feel blue over it. I am under the impression that its because I got it last night in the last mail. Now I've got to wait until Monday until I hear from my precious wifie.

Toots love, to-day is just the middle of March, and honey, do you know that I took in, in cash, just $50? $25 a week isn't so bad. Sure do hope it continues that way. All I have left out of the $50 is just 14 cts out of which I am going to send you a little gift for your birthday. I expect I will get another case out of which I will make some nice money, sometime next week. This case is coming through a recommendation from the party that I am making $100 out of. I tell you, honey love, it makes me feel good when I see how nicely my practice is growing. Little by little, I tell me that I will have something to show for my work. There is one client who is wild about me. Seems to be pleased with everything I do. Sure do hope that I do not disappoint her.

Honey love, I'm still looking for a nice place to live in. It seems that since the war, its quite difficult to get a nice place, but I believe that by the time you are here, I'll have quite a nice place fixed up. I am also on the watch for a nice ivory set. So you see, dear, that I am earnestly hoping and expecting you here very, very soon.

I spoke to L. Taylor to-day, and the way he spoke about that proposition, makes me believe he will not turn it over to me, but I should worry! I'll be able to do without it and still be able to take good care of you. One thing, though, I sure would like to become a Notary Public as I am sure of making a nice little money through that. If I don't get, I won't loose any sleep over it, I can assure you.

Well love, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Honey, I am so lonesome for you! I simply don't know what to do. I am suffering from my stomach a great deal. Had a fearful headache last night and still have it to-day. I believe I'll keep on like that until you come here. That's why I say, love, you must come here on May 3rd. Hear? And we'll pull through the summer months as best as we can. Honey love, I'm awfully "blue" and lonely for you. Tell me how much you love me, and that you will always love me! Tell me you will start out on May 1st and that you will be here on May 3rd, God willing. Oh,

precious mine, I sure do miss you and yearn for you. I am trying to save as much money as I can. Honey love, I spoke to the dean & he told me I'm spending too much money, and that you ought to be here. He said, though it couldn't be helped, my personal effects could take care of you, too. Precious mine, come soon, won't you, come quick so that I can kiss you, and hug you, and hold you tightly in my arms. I, as I just wrote you, love, am awfully blue, and therefore can't write any more, so will bring this letter to an end, hoping and trusting that I'll feel much better to-morrow, when I will write, I hope, a nice long letter

With all my longing love, hugs, kisses and beautiful thoughts to you, my darling, precious jewel, my own dearest wife,

Yours Ever lovingly, longingly & yearningly

Hubby

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March 16, 1919.
Sunday.

My own Beloved Little Wifie:-

It is fearful out to-day. At first I thought I would stay at home to-day it is raining so terribly hard, but I had a duty to perform, so I came. I'd come to the office to write this letter if it rained cats and dogs. The thing I've got to tell you, precious, and that is if you hadn't bought me the rain-coat, rubbers and umbrella, I'd have been out of luck. I sure was glad I had them for I don't think I would have bought them until the last minute, if at all.

Well darling, I feel a little better than last night and yesterday. When I arrived home last night, I took 2 cascara tablets, and this morning feel quite differently. I sure do hope I don't get any more headaches from my stomach. I suppose I'll get them though, until you come here, when all such troubles of mine, I'm sure, will be ended. Last night, I dreamt of Popdear. I just as plainly felt my kissing him and receiving one in return as if he were alive. He was dressed in a nice suit, wore a black ~~tie~~ and a hat similar to the ones worn by preachers at our exclamations of surprise at seeing him, he said "what's the trouble? Can't I go for a vacation and come back all dressed up to take my wife out and have a good time?" after which he disappeared, but I shall never forget his smile and his appearance. Some dream, eh?

Honey love, I'm wondering what you are doing to-day. Are you down at the dispensary to-day? I hope not, but I suppose you are because you were away last Sunday. How are you feeling, darling, in general health? And your precious little footsie? I sure do hope, love, that it is not giving you any trouble. Whatever you do, honey love, don't work too hard, hear? Take good care of your precious self for I hold you strictly accountable, you know, eh?

Honey love, I sure do miss you and long for you. Last night I didn't know what was the matter with me. I just wanted to go aboard a train and come to you. I sure did feel blue and lonesome for you, but then I controlled myself and saw the futility of acting that way, especially when I had such a good month this month, so far, with fine prospects in the future, so I was consoled. At times, honey love, I feel as if my heart were so heavy, that it weighs a ton. But, sweetheart look mine, light of my life, pretty soon, you will be here with me, won't you, darling, and we both will be happy. Tootsie, I always hug and kiss your picture just if I were doing it to you personally, and when I see you in person, love, then you will see how I will do it to you. Oh Lord, it can't be much longer before you come, so I'll try and keep

up my spirits.

Toots love, I'll have to bring this to an end, still feel terribly blue, but hope that to-morrow I won't feel that ~~way~~ when I get your darling mail, so will close now with all my love to you, my own darling, dearest wife, with all my hugs and kisses,

Your terribly "blue"

Hubby

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March 17th, 1919.
Monday.

Darling Wife:-

Just received your darling letters of the 13th and 14th, and sure was glad that you were so happy over the little clippings I sent you. First of all, honey love, I want to tell you I am very sorry that my letters were so short. I will try and write more, but often times I don't get the chance, as people come & go, and as you know, I'm very anxious to get business, for that means, love, that I will be able to take care of my precious wifie.

Darling, I sure am glad that my business is progressing so. I only hope and pray that it will continue. I sure do hope I can get a few more $100 cases, don't you? Last week, I had a good week, and hope I get another one like it before this month is over.

Honey love, to-morrow I am sending a little gift for your birthday. I sincerely hope and trust that it will please you. Remember, dearest, I am not much on choice for birthday gifts and therefore feel assured that when I bought it, my heart was overflooded with love and accept it in the spirit it was sent. My only regret, love, is that I didn't have the money to buy you a better present. I did so want to send mother a present, that I am sending her a birthday card. I sure do hope she won't carry on badly when she receives it, as you, this is her first birthday without pop dear. I am also sending a card to you, love and will mail them to-morrow for I would rather you have them ahead of time than after your birthday has passed. I am telling you now about the gift because I want you to be on the watch-out for it, as it might probably go lost at the dispensary.

Honey look, I sure would love to see little Helen. She must be a little beauty by now. I wrote to Ray and never received an answer to it. Ask her why she doesn't write. I will write to your mother, to-night or Wednesday night without fail. I sure was glad to hear that she had gone over to see my mother. How is your dad? making money? Hope so.

Darling mine, Saturday and Sunday I sure did feel miserable, but to-day, feel very much differently. I suppose on account of my buying your gift, it made me so happy! Now, can you tell me that I don't love you? Honey love, I sure do! I sure do miss your loving arms around me, your wonderful kisses and hugs. Yes, my own beloved, soon, soon, we will be together and then, won't we be happy! Constantly I am thinking of that time to come and often times I just must quit in order to have a good, good dream of you.

I sure was pleased to read that you are happy. I only hope you will continue doing and being so, for I would much rather have you enjoy yourself, go out and have a good time, than

just working. So, Lovie, do that won't you? Go out, enjoy yourself as much as you can, and I can assure you, it will make me just as happy.

So your beloved friend Elvira is coming to visit you? Well, Toots, me do hope you didn't waste much time with her. After all, she means well, so I reckon you'll have to put up with it. Glad that you had a nice time with Carrie. Hope she continues going to see you, if it makes you so happy.

Have you seen the fashions yet? How are they getting on?

Honey love, here is a snap. The woman from whom I got that "Joe done said" She sure is a pretty and intelligent lady and, Mr. Freedman, you must introduce me to her as soon as she comes"; I assured her I would introduce her to you, so she is satisfied. Anyone that comes into the office always gets an earful from me about you, and all ask me when you will be here.

Well love, must close now as I want to catch the mail, so will close now, sweetheart, with all my love, inexhaustible and everlasting, and with a big, big whopper of a kiss and hug,

Ever lovingly your own lonesome,

Sulby

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March 18th, 1919
Tuesday.

Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling little letter of the 15th. I really believe you are trying to carry out your threat to stop writing big letters to me. Please don't, sweetheart, for I always look forward to your letters and when they are nice and large, they make me exceptionally happy, so you will continue writing big letters, won't you, lovie dear? I sure am just pining for you, and certainly do hope that the time will soon come when you will be here, and then, Lovtoit ——— then! You know, lovie, don't you?

Precious I have filled out the applications for Sidie's passports, and will get the statement sworn to by ~~Hendrix~~ Solomon & Bernstein, probably to-night or to-morrow night, if possible, and will return them as soon as I get them. I sure do hope everything will turn out O.K. so that he can get his passport and return to London.

Certainly am glad to know, lovie, that things at home are going along nicely. I sure do wish they continue so. Tell mom dear to take good care of herself and tell her to try and not grieve so much. It won't be long before we are all together again. Tell her that I will meet Pristein to-morrow night to talk over that proposition about the drug store, and as soon as I hear anything definite, I'll let her know.

Honey love, I am having a great deal of trouble getting 3 rooms and bath. They generally come as 2 rooms and use of bath, 3 rooms and use of bath, and 4 rooms with a bath. The using of bath means we get 2 or 3 rooms in a private family and they permit us to use the bathroom. If I can't get 3 nice rooms, I'll get 2 rooms, a bedroom and kitchen, and then when you come down, we'll look for 3 rooms or 4 rooms with bath. Will that be alright, lovie dear? Don't forget to let me know. As for the furniture, I have decided a nice little 4-piece ivory bed-room set, for the kitchen, a kitchenette (a cabinet in use mainly throughout the South), a nice stove, and oilcloth or linoleum for the floor, a little table and 2 or 3 chairs. For the bedroom, I'll get a nice little rug. If I get 3 rooms, then I'll send for the furniture mom dear will let us have and buy 4 or 5 nice chairs, library style, and a rug. What do you think of it? Is this alright? Give me further ideas, love, as to what I should buy and how to fix things up, at least, until you come here. Precious mine, I am so anxious to try and please you, especially to have a little home

fixed up for you so that upon your arrival, you will be able please God, to go to your own little home. What say you, rarest jewel of jewels?

Darling, to-day is Tuesday and so far this week I made only a few dollars. I sure do hope I have a good week this week, at least half as good as last week; the 1st week in this month I made $17.00; last week I made $33.00; all cash money, besides what I have on my book, so you see how the law business is one week fair, another poor and therore that just simply makes up for all. I sure do hope I get my notary public ship, as I am sure that will come in mighty handy. Well, I only hope and trust for the best. As for my health Sweetie, I feel much, much better than I felt for some time last. I sure do hope I don't get any more headaches.

How are you feeling, darling, in general health? How is your precious footsie? Giving you any more trouble? I do hope not and certainly hope it is progressing nicely and that you are taking good care of it.

Will have to close now, sweetest darling wifie, with all my love to my darling, precious wifie, who fooled me again with a small letter, which I suppose it would be a big one, and with all my hugs, kisses and tight, tight squeeze.

Ever lovingly your own

Hubby


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March 22, 1919.

Ever lovingly Your Hubby,
Joe

TO WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY

I went to gather greetings from the Dream-Wood
Tree for you.
I found its boughs with fragrant blossoms filled.
So I left them there to ripen into fruit of
Dreams-Come-True,
And may all your dearest wishes be fulfilled!



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March 19, 1919.
Wednesday.

Darling Wife:-

Just received your darling letter of Sunday and can assure you that if all goes as planned we will be together on May 3rd. Honey love, I sure do wish you were here already.

I sure am sorry that you had such bad weather. Sunday was terribly here; part of Memphis was entirely flooded, practically speaking. Rained and rained all day. All day I just hung around the store and sneaked in and out from one movy picture house to another. How did you enjoy the feed made by Carrie's sister? Hope you enjoyed it.

Honey love, I certainly am sorry you didn't enjoy the picture show. Don't you worry, you just keep on going to different places and enjoy yourself as much as possible. Hear? Darling mine, take good care of yourself, for when, please God, you come here, we will make up for lost time. What do you say, sweetheart?

Sonie last night I went to the lodge and took a lecture preparing myself for the final exam before I can take the next degree. I sure did surprise the lecturer for when I came there I recited the whole thing by heart as Uncle Morris studied with me until I knew it. The lecturer sure was pleased that I knew my stuff! As a matter of fact, he couldn't believe it when I told him that I was ready. I sure do hope I can go through the rest of the degrees. Under separate cover, I am sending you a souvenir of the lodge. Tell me what you think of the place. I sure hoping that soon, very soon, you will be able to personally see it.

Honey, this is a — necessarily a short, very short letter, but if you could only see how many people are here, you would be surprised that I owed write this much, but tomorrow I hope I will get your big letter and then I'll waste time to answer with a nice big letter.

Shall close now, precious love, with all my love, Kisses and tight and tight hugs.

Ever lovingly your own hubby,

Joe

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Thursday.

Precious Darling Wife:-

Received your wonderful, darling big letter of Monday and also your magnificent gift. Love heart, I sure do thank you unmercly although I do so appreciate your wonderfulness in sending me the shirts, I must remonstrate with you, for, dearest, you had made me a birthday gift by putting me in the Masons, so why did you go to the expense of sending me such beautiful and expensive shirts? Honey love, why did you go and take your own hard earned ten dollars and send me another birthday Sweetheart, it just goes to show me, after all, how you love me, and yet I can hardly describe how elated I was upon its receipt. Again, darling, thank you for it, and hope and trust that soon, very soon, you will make me another gift, and that is your early arrival, bringing me happiness. Honey love, I love you!

Toots, I spoke to Mr. Epstein last night and read him what you wrote about the drug proposition. We couldn't get anything definite, so we postponed our talk and in the meanwhile I will broach the subject to Uncle Morris. As yet I haven't had the time to speak to him about it for somehow he was in an ugly mood over something, so I didn't care to say anything. You see, he is so ignorant, and at times so petty and mean, that you have to get him in a certain mood before you can do anything. Anyway love, I'll be able to let you know something more definite about things by Monday. I will ask him what he means by a respectable salary and will let you know. I don't think Rose will be able to earn $20 at Epsteins for the simple reason that he has another registered man, thereby having enough help, but still that doesn't worry me. As a matter of fact, I believe it would be best for you to come down first and when you see how things are, we will be able to do something. You see, I am firmly of the opinion that you can find out more particulars than I can, and then again, I wouldn't care to do anything until you are here and help me decide. I am sure that then we will be able to do something for, as you said, we must be very, very careful with Mondeau's money. I should rather have her there a little longer, and as I progress, to send her some money, than have her come here and be destitute. I can assure you it won't be long before they come down to Memphis, and believe me, then we'll live, eh? I sure will be satisfied if our whole little family are here, everything going along smoothly and then Rose to be taken care of. Don't you think I am right? Honey love, you can just rest easily and rest assured that I will be constantly on the look out for something which will adequately provide for them, and as soon as anything turns up, I'll let you know. As soon as I can get Uncle Morris in a reasonable mood, I'll pop the

question to him. I am sure that he will help us out, especially now that he feels so pleased over my being in the Masons and the way I was pushed for the lecture.

Honey love, about the furniture, I have decided to buy that ivory bed-room set, 4 or 5 chairs to match the library table, and kitchen furniture. I can assure you love, that, please God, when you step off the train, you will look a nice, comfy little home to go to. I think you will be greatly surprised as to how pretty your little home will be when you get here. I have decided that I will fix up a home regardless of the expense, for, anyway, I've got to fix up a home, so while I am about it I'll fix it up decently. If I don't get the table, desk & sewing machine before you are here, I will at least have the bedroom and kitchen completely fixed up and when the table, desk & machine come we will fix up the living room. I will want my books, too, but that can be easily packed in a box, just the way I rec'd it when Love sent it to me. As I wrote you before, it won't cost much to ship the stuff. as a matter of fact, it will be greatly less than what it would cost if I bought it here. I will send the trunk that I have sometimes with me, and whatever else you have that can't go into it, you had better put it into a case and ship it. Whatever you do, honey love, don't forget my diploma. Tootsie, I must borrow $100 to be able to have the home fixed up as I will have to give deposits here and there for the furniture and then for other little odds and ends that we will need, such as bed-linen and pillow cases for the bed, at least for the first week you are here, and then, after that you can get all such things when you can pick them out. Honey love, I spoke to a party who told me she was going to help me out considerably. I won't tell you what she said for I want to surprise you. I am only hoping and praying that things go as smoothly as I plan, for then I am sure of getting up a nice home for you. I can just imagine how happy you will be if, when you come, you find a pretty little home, fixed up as comfortably as anyone can fix it up. Won't you be happy, love? And how happy I would be when I can take you in my arms, hug you, kiss you, and, suddenly, put you to bed. Won't we be happy, love!

Previous, I am sure when I read about the way they acted down at the dispensary. Honey love, don't take any nonsense from them whatever. You leave there anytime you want to. Another thing, love, don't think for one minute you've got to worry about a relief to take your place. If, sweetheart, you don't get your vacation by the 15th of next month, take it, hear?, for, previous, you will need two weeks to prepare. Therefore, honey love, just remember, you needn't take any nonsense from anyone of them down there and just tell them where they head in.

As for both you and Nell going down South together, I don't see how that could be done, for she travels one way and you another,

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so you see "it can't be did". By the, honey love, don't forget to trave Pullman, and get a lower berth. You had best get your tickets & Pullman reservation a week or two ahead of time, see, so that you will be able to get a lower berth without any trouble.

Honey love, if mondeau hasn't made the stundel yet, tell her to never mind it. I really can't imagine what had happened at the wedding, but I suppose it was enough, especially when you say that there is too much to it to write about, but anyway, honey love, when you are here and with our arms about each other, between kisses, you will tell me every thing, eh, lovie? Believe me, I don't think I'll ever forget Sante Rosie now, and when I hear the whole story —— well, when she writes to me, I'll not answer.

Darling it sure is wonderful of you to think of mondeau that way. I am glad, now, that I didn't send her a present, but I did send her a birthday card. I am certain that mondeau will appreciate that box of gum drops. Believe me, little things, and acts, like that, make one happy, and I can assure you that you'll made mondeau extremely happy.

Was very sorry that you didn't see Roy & the baby. Perhaps in the near future, you will be able to run up & see her. And so after all, you missed Carrie's sister. What was the trouble? Maybe you will yet get an opportunity to hear her speak.

Precious darling mine, I was so happy to feel that those little clippings made you happy. I can assure you, love, that I will always try and do things to make you happy. Believe me, I'm after the few dollars that are coming to me from the case that H. Goldberger tried for me. I don't intend to let them slip through my fingers. As for the 60 bonus, I received a blank forms to fill out, which I did and returned them immediately. I expect I'll receive the money in about 2 or 3 weeks. Just make believe it won't come in handy, eh? As to my other case, they are going along splendidly. I filed my big $25,000.00 suit. I sure do hope he makes a settlement. I had to take on another lawyer, and will give him half of what I get, so, if I make $250 for my share, I will be satisfied, for I need the money the money badly. I sure do hope I get that notary Publicship, and with my student and Christine's brother's job, it would practically cover our rents. Honey love, talk about being happy over it! why, Toots, if you want, I can have Yost on April 10th, and you will get

here on April 12th, just in time for "Pesach". If you want to do that, let me know immediately so that I can attend to everything and have things prepared. If not, then we'll wait until May 1st. Before I forget, love, when you travel, take along a valise, with your necessary underwear and outerwear, so as to have enough until your trunk arrives, in case it should miss your train, and don't forget to check your baggage at the P.R.R. sta

Sunday, as I told you, was a terribly day. Rained and rained until I thought it would never stop. It rained so hard that nearly all the trains couldn't come to Memphis on account of so many washouts. So had to go from picture show to another to keep myself busy. It pains me terrible for me, sweetheart to be without you. I yearn so much for you. I miss you so much. If I could just have you here, kiss me, and hug me! If, love, I could just tell you how much I love you, I know you, I'm sure would be happy. Well, it won't be long before you are here, will it, love heart, and then we will be so happy. I can hardly await the time.

As for Mr. Logan, I really don't know what to say, but as for Mrs. Logan, she wants to be remembered. I told her that, please God, you will be here May 3rd. She me was glad to hear it, too. She said "Mrs. feeling pretty good, only worried because you don't speak to the old man", so you see, dearest, that she also wants me to speak to him, but I'll wait until you come down and let let you judge for yourself.

Honey love, I suppose I'll have to close now, because a certain Mrs. Easely has called and expect I'll have to close now, so, darling, with all my love to you, my precious, darling, little baby wifie, and with kisses & hugs, and a promise of a big letter Sunday,

Everlastingly & yearningly your Hubby

Joe.

I love you, sweetheart wifie, I love you.

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Friday

Precious Darling:-

Just received your darling letter of Tuesday and, honey love, sure do hope the mail will come more regularly. I suppose the reason why the mail is irregular is because the railway companies want their property back and therefore are trying to make the people believe that Government ownership is not what it is cracked up to be. But, Footsie there is no use of talking any more about it as it has already happened and now must hope & pray that it won't get more "mailess" days than are necessary.

Honey love, I know my letters were quite blue, and I can assure you that that was the way I felt. I don't think I'll ever be happy if you are not with me. I know, too, honey love, how much you suffer, on account of this separation, and so, therefore, it must not be long before you come here. When I begin thinking that its only 6 weeks from the time that you will be here, I feel a satisfied emotion coming over me and feel a new spirit coming over me. I do so hope that you are here already! You simply can't imagine how I dread to be alone! I simply pace up and down like a wild man. Restless, as even a man can be! Even when I look for rooms, or furniture, I get that terrible, longing feeling, that I just don't know what to do. Believe me, love, I sure will hug, kiss, and love, love you so much, that you will want me to quit! I miss those hugs and kisses and that pent up love so, that I don't think I'll ever want to stop! Not me, believe your "lil' ole hubby"!

Honey love, I want you to remember this. Never, in all my life will I ever forget your darling birthday, or our wedding anniversary. Your precious darling Baby mine, on the 15th I made a notation on my desk calender to buy your gift on Monday, the 17th. I made that notation the very first day I opened my office, so you see, honey love, that you were, are, and ever will be in my thoughts. I can assure you, love heart, you will never have occasion to be hurt on that score, for I love you so much, and do so want you to be happy! How, precious sweetheart did you like my gift? I suppose by now you have it. I thought, after I mailed it to you that perhaps that locket is too large and then perhaps on that ground you won't like it. I bought it for I've seen so many women wear it in Memphis, of practically the same size. I sure do hope you will like it and hope you will wear it in the best of luck and use the camera with luck and best of health. How do you like the camera? I did so want to please you.

Darling, though the first two weeks of this month I made out so nicely, this week was bad. I made practically nothing, but as I said before, in one of my previous letters,

that that's the way the law game is. First good, then bad, and then wonderful. Still have hopes for a good month for March, as I still have a week to make good. I am counting for that Notary Publicship and won't neglect going to see the Squire. As for L. Taylor if he doesn't turn over that proposition to me, all well and good. I won't lose any sleep over it. So-mighty I expect I will find out definitely about Priestley Brother's Boots. I think I'll land it. I am pretty sure, honey love, we'll manage through the summer months.

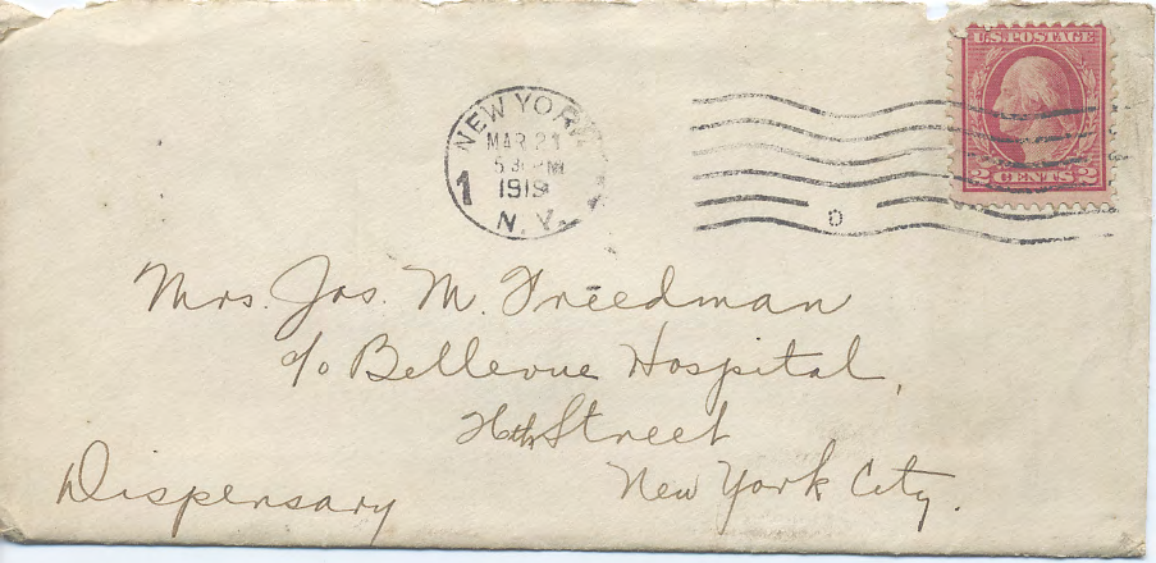
So you were rather disappointed in Carrie's sister? I thought you would be [redacted] remember how disappointed we were in Adair Corwin. I don't approve of you being seen with any Bolshevic radicals, so if he, the one who escorted you to the hospital, shows ever again call on you, please tell him where he heads in, and that you are "not at home" to him, but, anyway, I am glad you thoroughly enjoyed yourself.

Honey, in my answer to your big letter, I wanted to write something, but I forgot. Don't fail to attend to your teeth, hear? Go up to Kansas and have them attended to, as I don't care to have you suffer from anything, least of all, your teeth, so do that, want you, love.

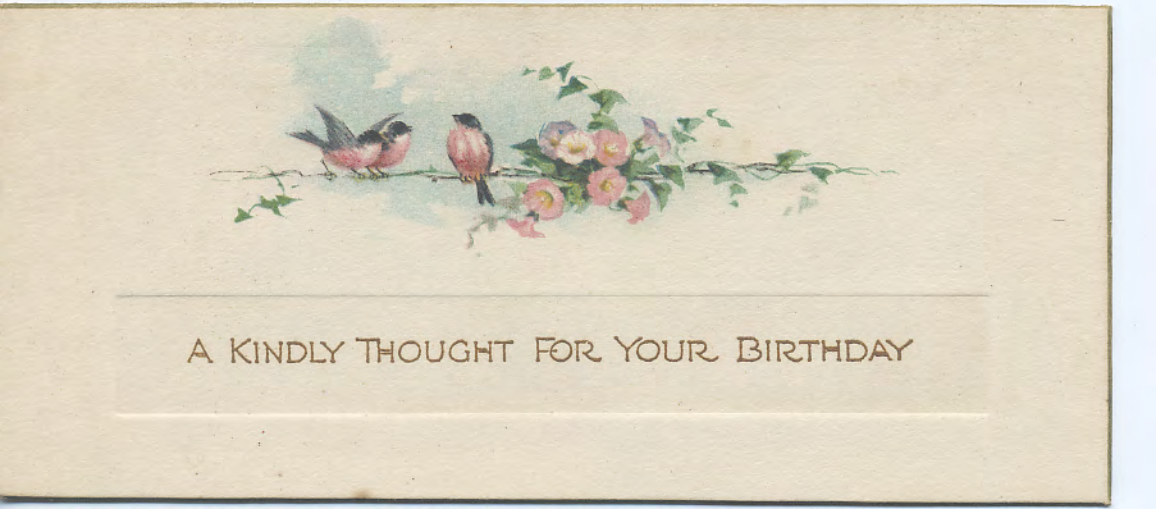
Well love, will close now, with all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, my darling wife, whom I expect soon, soon, very soon, to see,

Ever lovingly your own

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Saturday

My Own Precious Darling Honey Love:-

Just received your darling letters of Wednesday and Thursday, also your precious little birthday card for which I thank you, my own little sweetheart, and hope and trust that happiness decend upon you, and that never more know and experience trouble and sorrow. Honey love, I was simply dumfounded when I read your letters. Lovie dear, I swear on all that is most holy that I wrote you Sunday. I wrote every single day since I am here, and therefore cannot understand why you received my Mondays letter and not my letter of Sunday. In my Sunday's letter I wrote you that it was pouring out, raining Cats and Dogs, I wrote it and mail it in time for you to get it. What is more, lovie, I walked to the post office to mail it, and when I got to my uncle's store I was drenched, positively soaked to the skin. My uncle asked me where I had been in that rain & I told him that I had gone to the Post Office to mail a letter. Honey love, this is the truth so help me God. By the way, Honey love, the rain storm we had last Sunday took a great many lives, especially in Mississippi, where the loss was appalling. The trains couldn't get in or out for 2 days, and I understand that the mail was shot-circuited to another route. How I am greatly worried about your receiving my gift. Did you get my card that I sent you? I purposely mailed the gift and card ahead of time. When I sent the gift, I insured it, Herman Goldberger was with me at the ~~time~~ time. I inquired as to when you would receive it and they told me you would get it Thursday morning. Don't forget, honey love, to let me know if you got it.

My darling precious little baby, don't for one minute think I would miss writing a single day. I was in court this morning on that case wherein I'm getting $100, and all during the course of the trial I couldn't help but think of the letters I received. I was so sorry, lovie dear, that you suffered so much. If you should ever again get so worried, telegraph me at 580 McKinley St., that's uncle's address, that is, his residence, where I am now staying. My precious Tootsie, I do so love you, and only hope and pray that the time will come when we will be together. Honey love, to tell you the truth, I don't know how I am able to stand this separation. You can rest assured, honey love, that no one, including that $100 client, will interfere with my writing my daily letters to you. I sure do hope, Tootsie, that you get my Sunday's letter, as I want you to know that I did write on Sunday, and

will continue to write every day in the week.

Honey love, I sure do appreciate your mother's kindness in sending me a little ~~bottle~~ parcel. Though I haven't received it yet, I expect I'll receive it shortly. I am sorry to say that I had no time to write to her before, but as soon as I receive it I write her, thanking her for it, and all that I wanted to write heretofore. Please tell her that I thank her.

Sweetheart, we are 25 years old to-day. Tootsie, if I only had you here, maybe believe we wouldn't celebrate! But for our wedding anniversary, we sure will make up for it, eh?

Love darling, how are you feeling? How is your general health? And your precious little footsie? I sure do hope it not bothering you.

I shall close now, Tootsie, as I want you to get this in time. I am going over to the post-office and mail this. So with all my love, kisses and hugs to you, my own precious darling little wife,

Your lonesome everloving hubby

Jay

Will write you a nice sized letter tomorrow, Sunday.





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Judge Capell of the Second circuit court Saturday heard contempt proceedings wherein Mrs. Marguerite Dougherty sought to have her husband, John Dougherty, placed in jail on a charge of contempt of court for alleged failure to pay $20 monthly as maintenance for her daughter, Marie, as per court orders. A divorce was granted Mrs. Dougherty Sept. 30, 1913.

Milton B. Rose is attorney for Mrs. Dougherty, and Joseph M. Friedman, recently returned from the army camp, is representing the defendant. Judge Capell has the case under advisement.

Memphis, Tenn., March 23, 1919.

Sunday

Precious Honey Love:-

To-day is Sunday, and I am writing this letter at Uncle Morris's place, so that if you don't get this, I can prove that I had written it, anyway, but I sure do hope you get it, as I don't want my honey love to undergo what she did once before.

Tootsie, what do you think of the enclosed clipping? I tried it yesterday, Lovie, and believe me, I was surprised myself to see how I acted in open Court. Herman Goldberger was with me and he said I acted just as if I never was out of the Court room. I believe I won this case, as the main object of the wife was to get her husband in jail. I don't think that will happen in the least, but, precious mine, you ought to see how happy my client was, and you ought to see his sister, the old woman! She shook my hands and said "God bless you" so often, I was sick of hearing it. After the court affair, we went back to my office and I asked him to give me $90 in notes, which he did, and I have turned them over to Uncle Morris who is going to give me $79.20 ov, $10.80 being for discount. Please believe I am not happy. What do you think of it, eh?

Honey love, I didn't go down to the office to-day but came direct here. When I came, I was told that B. Lee was here and they sent him to my office, as I mentioned, as I don't care to see him, I am not going down, because I might see him. I don't want to recognize him unless I have to. As soon as I see him, I'll tell him something. Even my nose has no use for him.

Toots mine, I'm wondering what you are doing to-day? How are you taking care of yourself? How are you, Lovie, feeling in general health? And your darling Footsie? I sure do hope it's bothering you. Honey Love, don't forget that when you

use your camera, I want a picture of yourself. Hear.

My little baby, sure am lonesome for you. Here's another Sunday, and don't know what to do with myself, but sweetheart I am happy for one thing, and that is, please God, its only 5 weeks more before you will be here, snuggling in my arms loving you, precious, with all my heart, and kissing you and hugging you so much! It won't be long, precious, will it, it won't be long?

Darling, probably to-morrow or Tuesday, I'll send off my funds. Are you preparing everything now? Hope so. I am doing all I can to find a nice place for my little love dove, and soon as I do, oh what a sweet little home I'll prepare for you, my pretty, precious, little wifie. Bernstein's nephew wants to come in with me in getting a 6 room house, so that we can divide, 3 rooms, front and 3 for him and his wife. As yet we haven't seen anything, so there's no use worrying.

Honey love, I'll close with all my love, kisses, hugs and tender, tender thought, to you, my most beloved, my sweet little, precious, darling wifie, oh, how I love you,

Ever lovingly your own hubby

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March 24, 1919.
Monday.

My own precious Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling letters of Thursday and Friday and sure am glad that you got my last Sunday's letter, as I always want you to know that I write every single day. The mail problem is one that only the government can solve, and when that happens ——— well, the Messiah will be here.

Honey love, I just can't get over the way you suffered for two days! My own precious little baby wifie, suffered because of no mail, which was not my fault! Tootsie dear, never mind, it only 5 more short weeks before you will be here with me, and believe me, precious dovie, I sure will be happy. Working very hard will have no terrors for me, I want you here so, so much. Please God, our wedding anniversary will be spent together, and oh, how happy we'll be. What do you say, honey love, am I right? And tootsie, I won't be suffering from my stomach as I do now. For the past week, my stomach has given me trouble. When I am hungry, I am afraid to eat, for fear it will make me sick, and when I do eat, then I'm sick for fair. Lord, how I wish to have this separation ended. I just simply can't stand it any further. Honey love, you must come in May, on May 3rd to be exact, and God willing, for I am terribly lonesome for you. I want you so much. I miss and yearn for you dreadfully! Though it's only 5 short weeks more, it seems like ages, and certainly do hope and pray that the weeks will soon pass.

Toots mine, sure am glad that you pulled out your vacation slip. If they don't give you the vacation by the 15th of next month, quit then and there. It is mighty peculiar how people, even your friends better than you do yourself, but in our instance, it doesn't worry us, for you are going to leave them soon, please God, eh, tootsie?

Last week, honey love, was pretty bad, until Saturday, the last day of the week, when I got the $90 in notes. Uncle Morris assured me he would discount them for me for $79.20, the 10 Pc being what the bank charges. As yet, I didn't get the money, but probably will get it to-day or to-morrow. I told Uncle Morris about how necessary it was for me to get rooms, so he told me that next Sunday he will go with me and look for some nice rooms. Little by little, love, I am getting cases and getting new clients. I feel sure it won't be long before I have a nice little practice built up. I expect to get Rubenstein Brothers' job in a few days. You see, dovie, very little bit helps, and a little assured income, especially during the summer months, sure is satisfactory. I am pretty sure we will manage. Only the time for you to be here seems

so far off. I sure do hope Mary is here already.

As for Ray, I am still awaiting word from her. I sure would love to see that baby. Honey love, sometimes, when you are able to, take her pictures with the camera I sent you, and send me one, won't you. I just feel as if I could bite her cheek off. Remember me to Maryann Mendel. Tell Ray I haven't forgotten her kindness related to the $25. I sure do wish I could make some nice money in the near future so that I could send her a nice little gift. Some day, anyway, I'll send her something.

Honey love, Herman Goldberger got a case, and I just found out that he got it because the man thought he was my partner. He neglects his business fearfully, and now I've got to go down and take care of it. It comes off at 2 o'clock and it's now 20 minutes off. In to-morrow's letter I'll tell you what the man told me.

Will close now, honey love, with all my love to you, my precious darling little wifie, and with all my hugs and kisses,

Your everloving hubby

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March 25, 1919
Tuesday.

Precious Darling Wifie:-

your darling letter of Saturday just rec'd and, dearest, I can hardly give expression of my happiness when I read of how pleased you were when you rec'd my little gift. Someday, love dear, I hope to make you a better gift, and believe me it going to be some gift, too.

Tootsie, as for the trunk, I'll do as you say, but I advise you to bring a grip or valise along with you, when you travel, as you can't trust the railroad now. I'll wait with the trunk and if you decide you want it, let me know, and then I'll ship it.

I drew up the affidavit for Solomon, and presume it will be sworn to sometime this afternoon, or tomorrow morning. Honey love, I don't know whether that will be sufficient, so let me know and I'll draw up another. As soon as the affidavit, ~~is~~ sworn to, I'll send it to you.

Honey love, sure do hope Carrie did come and see you, so that you went for a buss ride. Did you go? Tell me how you enjoyed it. You can rest assured I haven't forgotten about those kisses. I am afraid that once, I start, you'll want to quit (!). I don't suppose I can kiss you enough, can I?

Honey love, in yesterday's letter I wrote you about a certain claim that Dr. Lazar sent in and Goldberger handed. The client said that Dr. Lazar referred him to me, just as he knew Goldberger and saw him in my office he thought we were partners and therefore gave it to Goldberger. When I got to talking business with this man Kipper by name, and when I got through, he assumed me I was going to get his business hereafter. It sure did tickle me as he has lot of collection business and that means some nice money, especially during the summer months. That, Tootsie, is the beauty of the collection business. Business always coming and going. Sure do hope he turns it over to me, and not to Goldberger. He seemed dead set against Herman, and B. Lee too. About the latter, he said that if Lee wanted to borrow money from him he would gladly loan it to him, but he wouldn't trust Lee with a cent, even if it only involved one cent. This Kipper is also a big muck-a-muck in one of the little lodges to which I belong, and he asked me if I would accept one for the office. I told him I would, so I believe shortly they will put up my name to run for something or other in the lodge.

Precious baby wifie mine, I sure am lonesome for you. This morning I got up and could have sworn that I kissed you squarely on the lips. See, it's feel good, but I very, very soon realized that I didn't kiss you at all, but only dreamt of you so, that I dreamt I kissed

Honey love, "verily, verily I say unto you", it can't last much longer. Only 5½ weeks more, please God, and you'll be starting out and then honeylove, —— what? Tell me, darling, tell me what's going to happen. I mean lovie, I don't think I'll sleep the night before you come! I am so anxious for you ~~that~~ it seems that May 3rd will never come. Believe me honey love I sure will be a happy man when you come, eh, lovie? And your sweetheart mine? Do you still love me as much as you "used". Sure do hope so, love. I know how much you love me precious, but I so love to hear you say so and write so. That's why I asked.

Honey precious, I am awaiting that nice big letter Sunday or Monday, and sure hope I get it soon. Sure how the mail has been delayed. To-day I should have gotten your Sunday's letter, but instead, I got your Saturday's letter. "Funny".

With all my love, hugs, and kisses to you, my own darling little Wifie, my precious baby,

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March 26th, 1919.
Wednesday.

Darling Precious Wifie:-

This is in answer to your wonderful, darling big letter of Sunday, which I just received, and sure do hope, lovie dear, that I can have complete solitude while writing, for I want to write you a big, big letter, to make up for all my short letters you see, honey love, just when I am settled to write someone comes in, or calls me up, therefore interrupting me, and as I always want to get this letter on time, so you can get it at the usual time so if I should come to an abrupt halt in my letter you will know, lovie dear, that I am busy and am forced to quit, and then I'll make up for it in another letter. Honey love, I can assure you that you certainly are a kind, loving, considerate wifie, and you may rest assured that I appreciate it and will prove to you how much I do, when you will be here. Honey love, as you say, if we are good, we will be happy together, oh so happy, for I can tell you this, love, that this separation has caused me to realize how much I love you, and dearest heart, I, too, can say that it is returned equally. Honey love mine, it certainly is torture to me, this separation is! Lord, how I do wish it was over and you are with me. Day and night I am always thinking, dreaming, and talking of and about you, so you see, lovie dear, how I yearn for you and miss you. Those shirts, dearest, I am saving for when you come, and will wear one of them on the day of your arrival. I don't want to send them to the laundry, if I possibly can help it before you come, for the laundry has ruined practically all of my shirts. Lootsie, they are wonderful, and I can assure you they were indeed welcome. Thank you, love heart, for them, and when you are here, I will pay you back with a big kiss and tight hug and squeeze. Darling, I received the cards your mother sent me, yesterday. Probably to-night or to-morrow, I'll write to her and thank her and your dad for their good wishes, too. You can't imagine how happy I was to read that your dad made out so nicely, and sure do hope that at the coming season, he will make out equally well if not better. You know, love dear, he's a family man and wants to keep making a nice living for his family, so you can't blame him when he feels badly over the slack season coming on.

Darling mine, Sunday was the usual dreaded day for me. I didn't do anything but go to shows by myself and eat and dream. Honey love, I simply can't go anywhere without you, so that's why I am waiting until you come down and then will have our good times, eh, sweetie? I spent my birthday as usual by being down at the office, but sure was hoping that you, at least, would have given me a treat and enjoy yourself, but I see that you, too, it was the same old routine. Never mind, Lord heart, please Lord, when our other birthdays come on, we'll celebrate it together and make believe we won't be happy, I, too, wifie dear, will also be happy when the time comes around for you to say "Good-by Bellevue." I sure was floored over the way things turned out when you showed me the gift I sent you. I tell you honey love, she sure does love you, and believe me, you have made me doubly happy over the way you are acting

towards her. Don't worry, lovie dear, I'll never forget it. I certainly am trying my best to get the whole family down here, if not at the same time that you come, then as soon thereafter as possible. Honey love, I hope, sincerely so, that that woman doctor will fix mondear up. Yes, darling, I want mondear to come to Memphis as soon as I get her here. Honey, I was just called up and believe I'll land a burglary case this afternoon. I expect the man who is going to retain me, to be here in a few minutes, so probably I'll not be able to write as much as I want, but if I can't, I'll try and finish what I want to say, tonight, and therefore make tomorrows letter a big one. Honey love, you don't mind, do ya? You see, lovie dear, I'm trying hard to build up a nice practice, and, as you notice, things are beginning to come my way.

He's here now, love dear, and I must run over to the police court, but before I do, I've got to make arrangement with him. Honey love, before I quit, I want to tell you that I made over $100 this month so far. Will be more explicit when I write tonight. Just received your Monday's letter, darling, so will answer that, too, for my daily letter tomorrow.

Will close now, lovie, with all my love to you, my own darling, precious wife, whom I love so much, and with all my hugs, kisses and tender thoughts,

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March 27, 1919.
Thursday.

Darling Love Heart:-

This is in answer to your darling Monday's letter. I mailed the other part of yesterday's letter, late last night, so I suppose you will get the two thisone and last night's at the same time. I am rather glad that I saved Monday's letter to answer to-day for I received no letter this morning as far, as it is now 10:27 A.M, and I am taking this opportunity before anyone comes in.

Honey love, you simply can't imagine how glad I am that you were so pleased with my gift. So, after all, you do like the locket? Honey love, you can't imagine how I worried that maybe you won't like it I thought maybe it too large, or something or other, but I saw so many women here wearing that size, I presumed that maybe it would be best that I buy that size. I expected that the firm would at least give some kind of a nice box to send it in, but they didn't, so hereafter, when I buy anything I won't go in there. Another thing that I liked about the locket was that you can put in a picture of decent size, something that can be seen. And I really believe that the camera does take a nice size picture, don't you think so? Someday, I am going to buy you a nice big camera, a real nice one. All in all, Lorie dear, I am pleased that you like my gifts, and hope and trust that the next time I give you any gift, I'll be able to give it to you personally, eh, love dear?

Honey love, I'll have to follow your darling advice about the week's intake. As I told you, one week it good, another bad, etc, but on the whole, it average up nicely. This week, I have taken in nothing so far, last week I took in $92.00, so you see how things are. When you come here, love dear, then we'll live, eh? Believe me, I'm tricked over the prospect that, please Lord, you'll soon be here. I can assure you love, I'll love, hug and kiss you so much, that you'll cry "quit". I'll never do that, for believe me, I hardly think I can ever make up for what I've missed, though I sure will try hard, but I missed so much of it, that I feel I've been starved! Anyway love, we will see who first cries quits. I sure do hope I get that Notary Publicship, and feel pretty confident that I'll get Finstein's proposition. My practice is continuing to grow, little by little. That party as yet didn't show up in that criminal case. I suppose she might come up some time to-day. She is the mother of the boy in jail on the charge of burglary. I am pretty sure, Lorie, that we will manage through the coming months.

Darling mine, how did you enjoy the holiday you mentioned? I sure do hope you took advantage of it and stayed home. How are you feeling, darling, in general health? Has it come on yet? Remember Honey love, your promise you made to me to rest up as much as possible. And how is your darling little foetus? Is it

bothering you, any? Sure do hope not. Remember, dearest, I am keeping you strictly accountable for my property, so take good care of your darling, precious self, hear?

Sure do wish I could see that kid of Kay's! By Jove, I bet she is sure some kid! I hardly think there is a possible chance for you to kidnap it when Kay is her mother. Don't forget to send me her picture when you get a chance to snap her.

Honey love, I had absolutely no fear of that Bolshevik but I didn't care to have you seen with him as he undoubtedly, as the rest of his kind is an apostle of "free love", and would in all probabilities take advantage of you, especially knowing that you are a married woman. That's one reason why I dislike Carrie. Simply because she chooses that type for her friends. Glad that you told him where to head in.

Will close now, darling, with all my love to you, my own darling, precious wife, whom I miss and am yearning for, and with all my kisses and tender thoughts,

Ever lovingly yours
Shelby

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Precious: Let me know when to stop addressing the mail at the dispensary, and where I should send it to. 70 Somers or 576 Ralph ave. Don't forget, lovie dear.

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March 26, 1919.
Wednesday - 7⁰⁰ P.M.

Precious Honey Love:-

As per my promise in this morning's letter I am writing from my uncle's place to finish my answer to your darling Sunday's letter. To-morrow I will answer your Monday's letter, as I want to have some letter to answer to-morrow, if I don't get another one. It is too late for me to mail this to-night, so I'll mail it to-morrow, so you will get 2 letters on the same day.

Yes, lovie, it's best that you first come down first and then we can decide as to what to do for mondear. I wouldn't want mondear to put all her money in something and then lose out on it. I spoke to Uncle Morris about mondear coming down and opening a drug store, and he said that he knew all along what I was thinking of, but he has made up his mind that he is trying to open up another business, a grocery with a lunch counter and ice cream parlor combined. If not that, then something else, so long as it is something that mondear can take care of. I honestly believe he will do something, and so far, he has treated me wonderfully. Sunday, he is going around with me to look for rooms, which goes to show that he is now very much interested and enthusiastic about your coming here. He himself often told me he would like to have mondear come down with you, but it best as we decided, that you come down first and look around, and then send for the family. Down here, they are not paying such large salaries to pharmacists, registered, so don't know how much more could earn in a drug store. As yet, I haven't found out definitely what a reciprocity paper is, but will, shortly. All in all, honey love, I think it's best for us to wait until you come down, as sorry as I am that mondear can't come with you. Honestly love, since the disagreement mondear had with Tante Rosie, I can hardly rest at ease, as I am continually thinking about it. Honey love, don't forget, when you come here you will tell me all that happened, won't you love? I told Uncle Morris of what you wrote me concerning Tante Rosie and he told me that it doesn't surprise him in the least, as he knew her too well. There is no use, darling, in talking about it now, but lovie, don't forget, you are to tell me all that occurred and then I'll know what's what. It won't be long, however, before mondear and the family will be here, too.

Honey love, as yet I haven't been able to locate 3 rooms, but, if I can get 2 nice rooms, as you suggested, I'll take it, and in due time, we will look for larger quarters. Though it might be hard on us in not having a living room, but, precious, the fact that we are together will make up for it, won't it, sweetheart? You see, I'll fix up the bedroom very cozily and nicely, and in the kitchen I'll have the necessary stump. The stove I mentioned is a gas range, one that can be used all the year around. That's better than what you want, ain't it? And then too, it can be used wherever we move. Anyway, I'll wait until I find

the rooms before I decide what kind of a gas arrangement we will have. As to the other nic necessaries, of course, you will get them, as I don't know what they are. In case there is anything else you want me to get, let me know. By the bye, Lovie, I will also get a refrigerator. Will a little one do for us for the time being? You see, when I get the bedroom suite, I'll get the necessary things for the kitchen, too. All the linen I will get will be a few sheets and pillow cases for the bed, and one or 2 table cloths, so then, when you come, you'll know just what you want and buy it. Yes, my darling wifie, all I want is to get up a nice little home for you, for when you come I want you to feel that you are going to your home; as a matter of fact, to our own little home. For tis, don't you feel happy when you write about our home? I do, Lovie, you just simply can't imagine how elated I get and that why I like to often write about it. Oh, honey love, how I do wish the time to come, and then ——— precious, what? Honey love, this separation sure is torture, too, to me, and each day I count how many more days to be without you. Only 37 days before you are here. God willing! Honey love, its wonderful isn't it? Only 37 short days, and then with God's help our separation will be ended! Oh, love, love, how happy I am, how happy I am to think that its only a little more than a month and you, you my own precious darling wifie, will be here and oh, how happy we'll be. Tootsie love, I can hardly write, I am so happy. Pretty soon dearest we'll count in hours and minutes, eh, beloved mine? Believe me, you are right about the few consolations we have to this separation and I can assure you, that our love certainly has stood this test. And, honey love, you spoke correctly when you told Mr. Knowles that our married life will be a continuous honeymoon, for, my own darling little wifie, I'll try ever so hard to make you happy, and the thought that I know you are happy will make me happy, and what more loving you so much! Honey dear, you do see, don't you, how much I love you, adore you, and worship? Darling mine, I love, love, love love you, oh, so much, and believe me honey, time will prove to you how much I love and adore you.

Precious mine, it certainly is nice of your mother to offer you the table and bed linen. If you think that you would rather not take them, then don't, but it up to you to decide. Honey love, I, too, appreciate how hard your folks work for what they have, so that why I can't say anything. As you said, Lovie dear, I won't buy any towels, but love, before I forget, you must see to it that the case you are shipping containing the things should be here when you come. Don't you think so? When I get the rooms, I'll give you the address, and then you will ship the case by express, for you know, you are only allowed 150 lbs. as baggage on your ticket. When you are ready, or rather, I suggest that you buy your ticket some time next week, the more ~~dead~~ about the 5th or 7th of April, so that you will be sure to get your lower berth. Remember this,

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precious, and keep it always in mind. (3)

I wish you will go to the window at the P.R.R. (Pennsylvania, 33rd St. Sta.) ~~you~~ where I was, and tell him you want to go to Memphis and want to travel on the "Memphis Special". There you will go to the window where it says "Pullman Reservations" or Plain Pullman, and tell him you want a lower berth. I believe they will charge you what they charged me $7 70/100. If you have a trunk, when you leave, and get to the station, you will go to the baggage room and give them the check, or ticket from the express man, and tell him you want it to go on the same train you are travelling on. Whatever you do, Lovie dear don't check your valise, or grip, for when you travel, keep that on or under your seat, see? Don't forget love, to tell the ticket agent that you want to leave here York on May 1st, and ask him when you are due to leave N. Y. and about the time you will be due in Memphis, but whatever you do, don't forget to tell me about when you are expected to arrive in Memphis. I suppose it will be 11:15 A. M, but to be sure, I'll be there about an hour or so ahead of time. When you get to the station, Mondeau in all probability will be there and show you how to check your baggage. Whatever you do, Lovie, give the man a tip of a nickel or a dime, so that he will put your trunk (if you are going to have one) on the same train. Don't check your grip, or valise. I sure do hope that they will give you your vacation to start on April 1st, and believe me, I wish you would only go back for one week. Honey love, whatever happens, don't forget you are to leave May 1st.

Honey love, I have been assured that I will go through the other degrees in Masonry, but still, you know, you never can tell, so I'm putting light in the boat until I get through. I'll am keeping after Mr. Goodman, but as yet, he hasn't sent anything up to me. I suppose if he had anything he would send it up.

Darling, I now realize it best for you not to leave before the time we originally planned. Have your teeth attended to and do all that is necessary, but, honey love, don't work too hard. When we are together love is sweet, we will make up for everything. Lovie I sure was happy that you found out that the delay in the mail wasn't my fault. I sure would do anything for you, and I can assure you that I will always write. Honey love, I believe I will have to stop writing a few days before you leave so that it won't

an unnecessary waste of stamps, as by the time the letter will get to New York, you will be here, but you will write till the very day before the time of your leaving. In other words, your last letter will be of April 30th, and then the day after I receive it ——— what? Tell me, honey love. And then, too honey love don't forget to send me the telegram, even though, please Lord, I'll know when to meet you. Send it to me at the office.

I had to smile, beloved, when I read of your "she stuff!" This woman is a grandmother, so you see, she is not as young as you pictured her. Believe me honey love, you have need no cause to worry about me, for you only do I love, and love purely. As to my writing my big letter on Sundays, I may do that, but when old come Sunday, I get busy in the morning. You see I always mail my Sunday letter in the morning so as to be sure it gets the train on time.

I gave your best wishes to Mrs Lazar. She sure is very appreciative of you. You needn't worry honey love, about the bed. I'll see to it that Uncle Morris pays for it.

I will close now, honey love, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my own precious sweetheart wifie, and wishing you a good night and pleasant dreams,

Ever lovingly yours own hubby

Joy

P.S. I wrote to Rose about "Leslie". I sure do hope she gets a little better luck, at least, than she has had. I couldn't help thinking of the fact that all the names had the letter "L" in it. Like mine is some kid. Forgot to write what I wanted to mostly. So far this month I collected $155.00 having collected last week just $95. I have $75 left out of the whole money, so you see, Lovie dear, how I want you here. I believe 155 for this month, so far is pretty good, don't you? Glad that Barney made out so well in 2 weeks. Love,

Joy

Honey love heart, please send me another mid big letter next Sunday or Monday or rather upon the receipt of this work you? Don't forget love, I expect one every week, my beloved wife. Keep your promise. Just ran all out of ink, practically. Got just enough left for the address. Love,

Joy

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March 28, 1919.
Friday

Darling Honey Love:-

Just received you darling "stungy" letter of Tuesday and Toatsie, sure feel good this morning. Last night my uncle got me a case. His finisher, a woman employed to finish up garments, bought a bottle of coca-cola and after drinking some of it, was caused to expectorate and when she did so, found that she had swallowed a number of decomposed flies, and the saleslady who sold it to her, showed her that the bottle was practically full. I am going to write my usual letter and if they don't compromise, I am going to bring suit for about 5 or 10 thousand dollars. This is one of the very few cases, that a young lawyer can get, and believe me, I sure am going to try and make a little money out of it.

Honey love, I am making all preparations for your arrival on May 3rd, please God, so you see you will not be able to stay any longer, for I am going to get rooms with rent starting from May, if I can. As yet, I haven't found anything but I expect that I'll land something pretty soon. Mamma wrote me telling me she want to move into smaller quarters. I wish I can get the rooms so that I can take the table and other stuff off her hands. Sunday, Uncle Morris and I are going to look around for something, and sure do hope we land a nice place.

Toats mine, the weather here is also wonderful, but I can hardly make any use of it. I just sit or walk around, forever thinking of you. I sure am lonesome honey love, and wish that you were here already. I hardly know what to do with myself. You can bet that when we are together, we sure will do some loafing, too, besides going to other places of amusement.

I was kind of disappointed in your letter, lovie, mine, as to size is concerned, but of course, precious, I am thoroughly satisfied with it, so long as you were tired and wanted to rest. Don't ever fail to rest up when you feel the least bit tired, hear? Am wondering, love, how you feel. Has it come on yet? If it has, precious mine, please don't forget to keep your promise, for when I think that the time has already come, I get so worried, I can't do anything, so please, darling mine, don't forget.

Honey, if you should have a drama during the week, besides Friday night, and if you haven't as yet done it, please to mention of what I wrote above. By the way, sweetheart, I wrote your mother last night.

Will close now, with all, all my love, hugs, and kisses to you, my darling, precious sweetheart mine.

Ever lovingly your own
Hubby

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March 29, 1919.
Saturday.

Darling Wifie mine!-

Just received your darling letter of Wednesday, and honey love, it sure was welcome, especially so today, for last night I was terribly blue and lonesome. Lord! How I yearned for you! I couldn't do anything but pace up and down thinking of you. Do you know Lovie, that I am worried? If you take the last 2 weeks in April for your vacation and then go back for your pay, won't you be delayed in your departure on May 1st? I sure do hope not, and if you think it best, don't go back for the money, as I don't want to be without you longer than is necessary. Honey love mine, I do so love you, love you with all my heart and soul, love you better than life itself. I simply adore and worship you, and when we are together again, I can assure you that you will find that my love for you is what I have declared it to be.

As for my stomach, dearest, it certainly is bothering me, but I will follow your advice and take the tablets you mention after breakfast and supper. I never suffered so much from my stomach as I do now. It just shows you love, how outside eating affect me. So you see, love heart, how anxious I am for our little home. Talk about being happy and satisfied! I know I'll be happy, and believe me, I sure will see that you, my darling sweetie, will also be happy, and contented. I sure am glad, honey love, that your foot is O. K. and that you are feeling so well. Keep it up, honey love, and when we are together, we'll both be alright, eh?

Sweetie mine, I didn't loose $10.00, as I thought I would, but did loose, however, $9.00, so all told I got $90.00 in notes, I got $81 in cash. I must give the bank $9 for waiting for the last note to become due. In other words, the notes are made for $10 a piece, payable every month. I didn't care to wait until December when the last note becomes due, so I had it discounted and got the cash now. That's what you call banking, honey love, do you understand now? Sure do hope I get that $10 down pretty soon. Sure do need the money.

Honey love, about that case, I want to say this. If it is going for your ticket as baggage, then you will have time 24 hours in advance, but then again they might not accept it as baggage, so if they don't and if the case weighs more than 150 lbs, send it express, and

you do send it express, you will send it a few days in advance so that you will have it here when you arrive.

Honey love, sure was glad that you went to the show that night. Try darling, to go out as much as you can and enjoy yourself thoroughly, hear? You just can't imagine how happy you made me when you wrote that you had enjoyed yourself.

Business is going on as usual. Sure had a splendid month, this month, hope I have another one like it for April. Little by little, honey love, I'll make it, and then you will see what a nice practice I will have in time. I am taking care of myself as much as possible, and hope, even so much that, please God, you will be with me on May 3rd.

Sweets mine, I'll close now with all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, my own darling sweetheart wifie.

Ever lovingly your hubby,

Joe

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March 30, 1919
Sunday.

Darling Toots Mine:-

Am wondering what you are doing with yourself, honey love, on this, another Sunday. Please God, only 4 more Sundays without you, and then, sweetheart, on the 5th Sunday you will be here. Honey love, I am happy to feel that it's only a few weeks now before you come. I am preparing myself to have fixed up a nice, comfy little home for when you come.

I really don't know what I'm going to do with myself to-day. It's just another dreaded Sunday which I've got to endure. Perhaps, if we have time to-day, my uncle and Dave will go looking for rooms. Certainly do hope I get something, as I at least want to feel that I have something all ready for you. I am sure though, honey love, I'll get a nice place and as soon as I do, I'll have it furnished to beat the band. Oh, honey love, how anxious I am that the time should be here already when we will be together.

Honey love, I'm feeling a little better, to-day, but not much. My stomach is still bothering me some, but I hope that it will pass away. Last night I went to get supper and honestly, honey love, I could not eat. No more do I go into a place to eat, than I loose my appetite. I sure do wish, love dear, that you will soon be here and take good care of me, eh, sweetheart.

Honey love, I haven't eaten anything yet, and I am quite hungry; it's just 12 noon, too, so, I shall close, honey love, with all my love to you, my dearest darling wife, and with all my hugs and kisses,

Ever lovingly yours own
Sidney

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March 31st, 1919.
Monday.

Darling Wifie mine:-

Just received your darling letter of Thursday, and your two darling letter of Friday. I presume that you had forgotten that you mailed one on Friday and therefore sent me another, written at Polsen's.

I sure am sorry, honey love, that I couldn't please you with a big letter when you expected to receive one, but certainly am glad that you appreciated the circumstances under which I was placed. For instance, lovie dear, I was busy all morning in a case of Solomons. His neighbor got out a peace warrant and then he got one out against her. I just came back from the trial which was held in a magistrate's court, of course, there I was the winner and hope in the appeal court I'll also be the winner. I expect to, anyway. You see, dearie, when you are busy, it comes in bunches. Talk about being interrupted! I just landed a divorce case, I believe. I expect the woman to be here in an hour. Her father came up and asked me to take charge. I'll swear, I sure was tickled. That's one more case if I land it, honey love, and means a little more money, too, eh, Sweetie?

Honey love, I sure am tickled that Carrie is going to help you out by taking your place. What did they say about your vacation? Anything left? I sure do hope you get it soon. Whatever you do, love, don't book too long during your vacation, hear? I'm sure you will have enough by the time you get ready to come down here. I am glad you are going to use the valise with the straps as I'm sure it will hold quite a bit of clothes. Honey love, you just can't imagine how happy I am at being able to write already about your trip. I didn't look for any rooms yesterday as it was too early for me to go and get any rooms, but probably next week, or the week after, Uncle Morris and I will go around and look for a place. I'm pretty sure I'll find something

I am very glad, honey mine, that Rose & Sadie Englander went up to see you at the hospital. Say mine, don't you ever have witness a confinement case, or any other surgical operation, here? It might frighten you too much and then make you sick. I don't want you to be ill, least of all, from that, to the bargain.

Honey love, that woman I just mentioned, came and retained me. That means I've got another case. Paid me $5.00 on account. I sure am tickled over it. So you see lovie, how often I get interrupted, but in this instance, especially, I was repaid. The old organ got me this case, too! What do you think of it?

Sweetheart, I started writing this letter at just 1 o'clock, and its now 3.30, and am afraid I'll miss the

mail, so I had better bring this to a close and write you more to-morrow. This evening I will be very busy, with my pupil, and Solomon. So honey love, forgive this short note and remember that I love, love, love you.

With all my love hugs and kisses to you, my darling Wife, rarest of jewells,

Ever loving your own,

Stubby

Tell mumdear I'll answer her letter to-morrow.

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Tuesday. April 1st, 1919.

Darling Toots Mine:-

As per my promise, I am writing this to-night and will mail it to-night, too, so that though it won't catch the train until to-morrow night, I'll feel at ease, knowing that the letter is on its way.

Beloved, you would be surprised to tell how little time I have to myself during the day. I'm writing this at my uncle's store as I always give the store's phone number to all who want me after office hours. No more than I sit down to write but that some one comes in. Fortunately for me, the people that generally come are those who come on business. I am very happy to tell you, Love mine, that I am rid of both Goldberg & Levi. They have gone in together, in that way relieving me from having to tell either one of them not to hang around. I believe I wrote you, sweetheart, that I got another divorce suit to-day, the nigger elevator boy in the office building, sent me an accident case in which I hope to make a mint few cents, or rather dollars. Solomon had told this nigger that if he helps me along by sending me as many cases as he can, he, Solomon, will give him, the nigger a present for his wife in the shape of a nice shirt. You should have seen how tickled that nigger was!

Honey love, I am lonesome for you. I am so restless! Often I have to stop doing what I am about, just to taste a sweet dream of my darling baby wife! Darling, I must say this: though this separation is torture, it has awakened me to the strength and quality of my love for you. Believe me, Toots, the words in which I express my emotions are not vain or empty, but really and truly contain the purest and noblest thoughts that any man can have towards his own. Daily, sweetheart, I think of how you suffered with me, how you gave up pleasures because I could not have them, and Toots mine, I can assure you that I will never forget, never for one moment forget what you have done. When we are together, I will show you how I love you, not alone in words, but by tokens, signs, etc., and you will see that I really and honestly want to make you happy and contented.

My tummy is good and sore, Love. Whatever heat I feel is not being dilated. I sure do hope that by following your directions I'll get it back in shape again. Otherwise, in my general health, I am about the same, still get a headache once in a while,

and when I do, I put that menthol on my forehead and then it kind of disappears. I sure am glad that you fixed up that little Kit.

Honey love, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Has it come on yet? Please do be careful, if it has, and just please remember your promise to take good rest and take things easy, hear?

Look mine, though I may be busy, terribly busy, you will always get your mail. Anyway, I feel it is much better that I write every night instead of during the day, so that I can then tell you fully what transpired.

Shall close now, with all my love, hugs, kisses and tight, tight squeeze to you, my own precious, darling wifie,

Ever lovingly your own

Hubby

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April 2nd, 1919.
Wednesday.

Sweetheart Wifie:-

Received your darling little letter of Sunday and sure was happy to read that you had somewhat rid little Annie that when company came. I can hardly blame you for writing a little bit when a kid's like Helen is around. She sure must be a pretty little baby. Certainly wish I could see her.

All I did Sunday was to write my usual letter to you and then go from one picture show to another. With Sunday I expect I'll go out with Uncle Morris and try and locate some rooms. Believe me, honey love, you can hardly believe how happy I am at the thought that soon, very soon, with God's help, you will be here with me! So far as family all my relations sports, I can tell you I've had mine years & years ago, all I want now is my baby wife. I can assure you that my good times will only come when you and I will have them together. You ask me, honey love, to tell you how much I love you. Look mine, that is impossible, for my love for you is truly beyond description. Love you! Honey love, my whole life is centered around you! My whole being, heart and soul, ~~is~~ at your disposal! My ambition is to make you happy and contented, and precious, the only way I can prove it to you is to do what I have to do when you come. In the mean time, sweetheart, let it suffice that I love, love, love you, with all my heart and soul.

As for myself, darling, I am getting along fairly well, but am sorry to write that my "tummy" is on the blink, good and proper. Am following your advice as much as possible. Seem to have a satisfied feeling, but I know it not natural, for when I'm hungry and go in to eat, my stomach seem to turn upside down and there you are. Sure do hope it passes over. I believe it the restaurant stuff that made my "tummy" that way.

As for business, honey, it's still "agoin". Received a letter from the attorney from the coca cola people and believe we will come to some sort of a settlement. Sure do hope that I get some money out of it. I am ready to file my other suit, the divorce suit I got just the day before yesterday. As I have so often written, it will just have to take its time and then you will see the way business will be coming along. Can't

come any too soon, can't it?

How are you feeling, darling mine? You don't answer that question, you know. Wish forget to tell me just exactly how you feel, dear? Take good care of your darling self and remember ——— I hold you strictly accountable for what happens. The wireless, lovie dear, I received to-day. Isn't he splendid, though? Will try and answer it in a few days.

Shall close now, honey love, hoping that to-morrow I will receive a nice big fat letter, with all my love, hugs, and kisses to you, my own darling little Wifie,

Ever lovingly your own lonesome
Hubby.

Only about 4 weeks more, love. — what then?





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O. am more than surprised
that you thank me so much
for my kindness to Mandell
and Rose O. want you to know
that is no thanks coming to me
as O. have done my duty to
my dear friends that O. have

them at hearthand I fill
my self the happy when I
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my sincer thanks to you
for your kind and dear
letter you have send me and
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of my hearth a great succes
and your hearth should be
full with happiness all your
life Mrs Lipman and the
children and my self are
all in best of health and

with to hear some from you
having no more to write to you
and I hope you will recieve my
letter in best of health
I will close my letter to you
with love I remain your
dear freind

D. Lipman 2022 65th St. Brooklyn

Mrs Lipman and the children
are sending you their best
regards and wishing you a
succes

every bodys at your home are
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April 3, 1919.
Thursday

Darling Sweetheart Wifie:-

Just received your darling letter of Monday and am answering it now and will mail it to-night, for to-night I go up for my examination as a Mason and also to be voted upon for my second degree. That being the case I was afraid to chance writing this to-night, so I played safe and write this afternoon. Honey love, I sure did enjoy your letter, but certainly was surprised about the latter part of it, relative to the Bolsheviki. All I meant was that it was best for you not to see him, or his type again in the future. He may have acted a gentlemen all right for I know that you would soon show him where to head in, but when they get on intimate terms, then they take advantage of one, especially married women. I am of the opinion that the principles of free love are so imbedded in them that they can't help doing anything to convince others that they are right. I again reiterated honey love, that had you again spoken to him he would start his tongue awagging. I was sorry that I offended you, but all I looked for was to put you on your guard in case you should come in contact with them unbeknown. I, for one, cannot tolerate a Bolshevik for those who are preaching Bolshevism are merely anarchists. The true principles of Bolshevism are hidden by the immoral, illegal and intolerable precepts of anarchism, which has been adopted and taken as forming the platform of true Bolshevism. I can assure you, honey love, that what I told you, I have found to be true. There is no use of further writing about it, but when you come, we will talk about it and you will see that I am right.

As for my cases, Toots, they are getting along finely. I received a letter from the attorney for the Kowa-cola people, and believe that I might get something out of them. All I can get, believe me, will be welcome. I might get Epstein's job this month, so I was told. Hope I do get it, with the Notary Publicship, too. One of the big men in court told me to mention his name, and also that he was going to look into the matter of my becoming a Notary Public, and assured me he will see to it that I will get it. I believe I told you in one of my previous letters that L. Taylor is going to keep that proposition himself. When you come, let tell you all about him, all that I've just recently found out. My assault case has been filed already. Sure do hope I can get a nice settlement out of it.

Toots, you can't imagine how much I am worrying over mondear. I simply can't get over the way Ante Noire

is acting. You don't know what I know of what mondeau did for him just the same week that popdear was on his death-bed. Mondeau asked me not to tell anyone, but when you come, remind me and I will tell you. Maybe mondeau has told you, too, but, regardless of whether she did or not, I'll tell you when we are together. Uncle Morris wants to open a grocery store, or a few of them, so that he can eventually retire from the stalking line. He intends to go in with Solomon, but when he sees anyhow of making a success of it, he wants to open a store only for mondeau; in other words to just put her in business for herself. As soon as I get to be a full fledged mason, then you will see how much I will get out of him. Then again, when you are here, you can tell him about the way mondeau is suffering and I will feel certain that it will be but a few months after your arrival that mondeau and the family will also be here. Some do wish I could do something for mondeau already! Well, everything will come in due time.

Honey love, me am glad you've decided to leave the dispensary at the end of April anyway. It sure is a good suggestion that you made about the check. I hope you won't have any trouble in collecting it, though. You should worry about a relief! If they haven't got anyone by the time you are ready to leave, that's their lookout and not yours. Am sorry that Carrie will be unable to obtain your position, or relief ward, when you leave, but, honey love, I expected something like that would occur. When you first wrote me that she left that position on the island, I thought they would have something to say. Wonder what they said about her. Well, it can't be helped. She thought she did the wisest thing, so let her pay the penalty. Whatever you do, don't you start worrying about her, hear?

As for your baggage, ask the ticket agent when you buy your ticket if they will accept your case as baggage. I would rather you send it express. I am not leaving the question of rooms for the last minute. Next Sunday if I find anything I'll let you know the address, so you can send it there. Honey love, even if I get 3 rooms, you won't be able to ship the table at the same time as your trunk for the table must come by freight and not express. If it comes by express, we may as well buy a new table. I was just thinking we now bit upon a good plan. If by the 15th or 22nd of this month, I haven't sent you an address where to ship your case to, send it to Mr. Frankenstein, 137 N. Main St. Then, when it comes here ahead of you, I'll have it transferred to our home (glorious word). Don't you think that's best? By the time you land, (prepaid) ship it, I hope I will have the rooms all prepped. I am desirous, honey love, of getting only 2 rooms, for when mondeau comes, we will have to hire room for

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a while, so will get a 6 or 7 room (3) house, and we will take the upper apartment and mondeau can have the rest. I hope that in about 3 months mondeau will be here. Tonight I am going to speak to mrs Morris again and see what can be done. It would be best then, honey love, that mondeau shouldn't go yet more from where she is. So tell her not to do anything for a while any way, as probably there will be a chance for her to come down here soon after your arrival. I am also looking for a place where I can put Holly in when he comes. If he were only a little more settled, they would be no cause for our worrying, as down here, I am quite certain he has a better opportunity - On the whole, Lootsie, I believe the best place for mondeau would be here with me, as you already know how much she depends upon me. Honey love, if God helps me and I make a success, someday you and I are going to N.Y. on a trip and I will then tell Tante Rose what I think of her and her whole bunch. You can see now how much she cared for Mondeau. When Popdear was alive and capable of helping her along financially, it was alright, but after he is gone, then her true colors appear. I am shocked at her conduct. I can assure you, honey love, someday I'll get even with her

As to the shipping of the furniture, all mondeau has to do is to call up the Long Island Storage Co & have them send a man to call and give an estimate as to how much it would cost to pack, crate and ship everything. Mrs. Lazear has forgotten who shipped her stuff, but even the doctor told me himself that any storage company would be able to attend to it, for it is their business, besides storing and moving furniture. There is absolutely no cause to worry on that score, so that can be easily attended to. I am glad that you advised mondeau to attend to the storage. I wouldn't want that to delay mondeau's trip, so therefore, see to it, lovie dear, that mondeau has it attended to without delay.

So "it" came on, honey love! Well, precious mine, don't forget what I told you. Rest as much as possible. You poor honey love, I was sorry you suffered that much. I do hope you won't suffer so much from "it" when you are here

and always in your own home. Sure is some ordeal to go through. Honey love, if you think it best for you to postpone your trip a day or two on account of "it" appearance, do so, but I hope that it won't be necessary for I do so want you already last, of course, honey love, your health comes first, so its up to you, darling, to decide. Were you regular this month? Sooner mine, you can't imagine how happy I'll be when you are with me. As for myself, Sootsie, my "tummy" is much better. I am beginning to realize that what you directed me to do is best. I am following your instructions and hope that by the time you come I'll be in better shape. I am going out as much as I can. Do you know, lovie dear, that since I am here, I haven't gone into a vaudeville house yet? I am waiting, lovie dear, until you come and then, oh, then! Believe me, we'll make up for lost time, eh, sweetheart? Sure was lonesome for you yesterday. Was talking to Uncle Morris about you, and believe me, I became so restless that I didn't know what came over me. To-day for the first time I put on one of the shirts you sent me. I intended to save both until you come, but to-night I go to the lodge, so I wanted to wear one of them to feel that you are with me. Then again, the laundry ruined 2 of my other shirts, and had to throw them away.

Honey love, sure am glad that you enjoyed yourself so much at Carnegie Hall. That's what I want you to do, honey love, enjoy yourself as much as you can while there. See as many shows as possible, hear? You simply can't imagine how happy I am when I read of how you enjoy yourself.

Shall close now, honey love, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling wife,

Ever lovingly yours fully

Joe.

P.S. Dear Heart, have you bought the ticket yet? Let me know when you do and don't forget the directions I gave you. You want to leave on the "Memphis Special" and a lower berth, so if "it" comes on, you will be comfortable anyway.

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Friday.

Darling Wife:-

Just received your darling letter of Tuesday, and reasoning as I am not busy now, I'll answer without waiting for tonight. Before I go further, I am glad to say that my stomach is much better. Since following your instructions, I have somewhat of an appetite. Sure do hope it doesn't bother me any more as I know what a troublesome stomach is.

Honey love, I can hardly describe my sympathy for you, my poor little wife, when I read how "it" treated you. I sure wanted to hold you in my arms and comfort you. Honeybunch, it sure is some ordeal to pass through!

I am sorry to say, sweetheart, that I did not get that Ingleby case, as the fellow pleaded guilty and took from 1 to 5 years in the penitentiary. So far this week, it's been very, very slow, insofar as money is concerned. Hope next week is much better. Have hopes darling as it's still the beginning. I spoke to the Squire about my Notary Publicship and he said that he would try for me. My application will be acted upon on the 14th. Sure do hope I get it. I am going to see this man who promised to help me out and have him see the Squire personally. I didn't as yet receive a reply to my answer in the Cocoa-Cola case, but expect one soon. I will also receive a surprise to-day about my assault case. I think I am going to drop it as the attorney who is assisting me dropped out, saying that he spoke to one of our witnesses, a most important one, and was told that there was nothing in it. Perhaps, after all, she is no good. As for L. Taylor, by now you know that he is going to keep that proposition himself. I should worry! I'll get along without it. Good fortune, love! Just landed, as I believe, another divorce suit. What do you think of that? She told me she will be here to-morrow between 1 and 2 in the afternoon. Sure do hope she comes and pays me something for then I will know I have the case.

As for the refrigerator, I'll get a nice little one, not too small, or too expensive, but just one for our needs. In Memphis, when you get rooms, you get only 4 bare walls. Most of the houses haven't even baths. Would you believe that? When people want to bathe under those circumstances they buy a bathtub, similar to those they use for babies. That's one reason I prize it so hard to get rooms, for I don't care to get a place unless

I have a bath. As yet mule & I haven't found anything yet, but he assures me that I have no cause for worry as we will get rooms aplenty. So don't worry, honey love, everything will be taken care of.

Honey love, I am glad to be able to say that I was accepted in the 2nd degree of the Masons. Last night I was examined on the rules of the 1st degree and then they voted on me for the 2nd, which elected me. As soon as I receive official notice I'll send you the letter, as I did before. Sweetheart, there sure was some crowd when I had to recite the rules. There were 4 of us, who were up for examination, another lawyer (orator of your class) and 2 others, laymen, and Toots, what do you think? I was the only one who was complimented and was told that I was, or rather, headed the list. You ought to see how they complimented me. Uncle Mario was as happy as a lark for he too was so complimented because he taught me. When you come, honey love, I'll be able to tell you all.

Honey, how are you feeling? Take good care of yourself, darling, mine and keep on loving me. See to it that you don't catch cold, hear?

Must close now, darling baby mine, with all my love to you, my precious jewell, and with all my hugs and kisses,

As ever

Joe

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April 5, 1919.
Saturday.

Darling Wife Mine:-

Inasmuch as I am not busy now, I'll answer your darling letter of Wednesday now instead of to-night. I can assume you, love heart, that whenever I had to write and mail you a short letter, I was sorry, too, for I do so want to write all I can and tell you everything. Hereafter, if I can't write a decent size letter in the daytime, I'll finish it by writing at night, and if I really have no time at all during the day, I'll write as much as I can and then write at night, too. You see, love, that it become a habit with me to write during the day, so that's why I am writing this during the afternoon. I just love to write to you while you are away from me, but sure do hope the time will soon come when letters will be a thing of the past. You are right, darling mine, for when you are here, you will have your love letter all day long.

Honey love, I sure am sorry you worried so hard Wednesday. Even though Mr. Swallow was here, you should have taken things easy, especially when you were unwell. Believe me, honey love, when you come here, I'll see to it that you will take things easy, or I'll know the reason why.

Sookie, I expect that to-morrow Uncle Morris and I will go for rooms, but I understand that here in Memphis you must pay rent from the time you take the rooms, so if I get any to-morrow, I'll have to pay rent as from to-morrow. That's why Uncle Morris wants me to wait until next Sunday, but I am too anxious to have them already, so so I am going out to-morrow. I sure do hope I get something.

That was a peculiar dream you had that night, wasn't it, honey love? You should worry, love! We got married, and believe me, we'll be happy, too, eh sweetheart? I sure do yearn for you, honey love, and oh, how I miss you! Believe me, I sure do get happy when I think that it's about 4 weeks more when you will be here. Honey love, just 4 weeks from to-day and how, you will be here, please God, and how I will kiss and hug you! Take it from me, sweetheart, lovie dear, no "quits" from me. I sure will make up for lost time.

Darling mine, I'm glad to say that my "tummy"

is not bothering me so much. Hope it gets entirely better by the time you are here. I didn't do much this week, only got a divorce suits and a little accident case. Hope I make some money out of that accident case.

How are you feeling now, darling mine? Has "it" left you? Lord, how I wish someone could discover something so that it would never be necessary for you to undergo such an ordeal again! Honey love, probably you will have to undergo it once more, please God, before you come, so don't forget your promise, darling, to take it easy and rest up as much as you can hear.

Shall close now, honey dear, with all my love, hugs and Kisses to you, my precious darling wife,

Ever lovingly

Joe.

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April 6, 1919.
Sunday

Precious Sweetheart Mine:-

To-day just 4 weeks and ——— what, honey love? Can you imagine what we shall carry on when you come? Oh, honey love, I can hardly describe to you how happy I am going to be.

Right after I mailed your daily letter, I received your darling one of Thursday and another letter from the Marine Corps inclosing a check for $60.00 Tax. I sure did feel happy when I got it. As soon as I received it I gave Uncle Morris $15 to pay for my 3rd degree in masonry, as at least I want to be prepared with that. I am inclosing the notice I received about my 2nd degree. Uncle Morris sure is happy and often says "I bet Frances will be happy" and I assured him you would be. Am I right, honey love?

Honey love, if April & May are that way, we sure will have easy sailing, but even if it doesn't, I don't care, for it's bound to come in time and we will be able to pull through the summer months without much difficulties. Precious, to save my soul, I can't tell you how my money went. You see, everything I get costs money, as for instance laboring, drinks, laundry, etc. I know that when you come, at least half of my personal effects will be cut. Dearest, let's try, though, to keep tabs on my money as much as I can.

Precious mine, I sure was glad that they had inserted an "ad" and hope someone takes the position, but if not, that is not to interfere with our plans. If you hear nothing by the 10th, then do what you said, pack up and leave. Tootsie, Tootsie, I certainly am elated! Just 4 weeks more, please God, and we will be together.

Honey, precious mine, I didn't know what to do when I read of how you were crying. Darling mine, I mean on all that is most holy, that I will always love and honor you, and always, darling wife mine, will I be good to you. Yes, my own sweet wife, I'll take the place of all your folks. Honey mine, the trouble with me is I can hardly describe my emotion, or feeling towards you, on paper, but I hope, so sincerely and sincerely, to show you by acts and conducts of how much I adore you and how I intend to take good care of you. As for your tears, I can assure you that they will be a thing of the past for when you come here, I'll try, oh so hard, to make you happy and comfortable. Don't worry, Lovie dear, I expect you will be blue and lonesome for your folks when you first come here, but I am sure you will get kind of used to the separation after awhile, and please God, if everything

goes along nicely and somebody, I'll send you to N. Y. for a trip next summer. Popdear used to send mommer & the family to the country but I will send you to N. Y. so that you can visit your family. Is that alright, precious mine?

Honey love, the city is all decorated to-day for to-day it is welcoming the return of the 115th artillery. I wish you could see the crowds, and I can assure you, for a little town like Memphis, the welcome is fit for the Gods. Flags everywhere, bands playing, Fathers, mothers, sweethearts, wives, ~~s~~, etc., are meeting each other with tears in their eyes, gladness reigning everywhere. Honey love, I sure do wish you were here.

Darling mine, will close now with all my love to you, my precious, darling, sweetheart little wife,

Ever lovingly

Joy.

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Mr. Jos. M. Freedman

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Dear Sir:

I have the pleasure to inform you that at the Regular Communication of Leila Scott Lodge No. 289, F.& A.M., held on ~~Wednesday~~, Thursday Apr. 3rd *1919, you were elected to receive the* F.C. *Degree.*

Please present yourself at the Masonic Temple Wednesday *evening* Apr. 16th *at* 7 *o'clock, to receive the Degree.*

Yours fraternally,

R. L. Goodwin

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April 7, 1919.
Monday.

Precious Darling Wife:-

Just received your darling Friday's letter and, honey love, I want to put you at ease as to my stomach. It's much better than it was and I believe its due to your directions that its so improving. Don't worry, love heart, I'll take good care of myself while you are away and feel that, please God, by the time you come, it will have passed.

Darling mine, I'll try ever so hard to send you newsy letters, big fat ones, but generally all that I know is from my cases and you know that, though I'm bound to secrecy, there are a few that I would tell you about, as I know it would go no further, but I couldn't possibly tell you via mail. Not much happens to me, anyway, for I'm not going out much now, for I'm waiting for my darling little wifie before I go out and enjoy myself. Tootsie, you might think, or rather you can feel me that I love you, but, dearest, you will never know the depth of my love. This separation, God knows, is torture to me. Sundays especially so, for I see so many nice couples strolling around, and I must walk here and there all by myself, but, darling, please God, it won't be long before we, too, will be strolling together, eh, love? As for my coming up soon next summer, I can't really give an answer now. In the first place, I dislike New York so much, that I actually hate it. Then again, the fare that I would have to pay for myself could be part of your spending money while there, see? Of course, honey love, we have to wait and see what Providence has in store for us before we can talk about it.

Yesterday, honey love, Uncle Morris and I went out for rooms, and right the corner from him they had 2 unfurnished rooms for rent. We went in, saw the place and practically took it but Uncle Morris told the woman we would be in this morning. When we got out, uncle Morris & I went over the matter fully and when he began showing me points I then realized how ignorant I am of housekeeping. We could have the use of the bath and reception rooms, but in the room where we would have the kitchen, there was no sink. To wash the dishes, you would have to get the water from the bath room, etc., so I began seeing that we could not afford 2 rooms, so I let it go. Uncle Morris told me to wait as something is bound to turn up soon. Then, too, Uncle Morris told me that as soon as I get a little cash saved up, he will give me part of his ground and I could have a 4 or 5 room house built and pay it off as with rent. Don't you think that's fine of him?

as soon as I get rooms, I'll have it all fixed up for you, my own precious darling. Uncle Morris also threw in a hint that he is soon going to do something for Mondeau. As soon as I hear anything more, I'll let you know.

Here comes my client, love, so will have to close, but before I do, how are you feeling? Sure am glad "it" has left you. Take good care of yourself, love dear, and don't worry about me. I'll take good care of myself.

With all my love to you, darling mine, and a world of hugs and a whopper of a kiss,

Everlovingly

Joe.

You sure did fool me with that letter from the rooftop. Will write about it tomorrow.

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April 8th, 1919.
Tuesday.

Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling letter of Saturday and can assure you that you fooled me when you enclosed the letter from the book firm. Honey love, I am going to write this attorney to have the firm send for the books. I don't want them. If ever I do desire that I want a set, I'll get one without much trouble. Better still honey, you write them on your name, as my own baby wifie, and have Miss Cohen call for the books. Oh well, I think it best that I write.

Well honey love, I will admit that I haven't been eating regularly, but now I've kind of gotten over my stomach trouble, so I guess there is nothing more to it. I'll try my best to get my meals on time so as to avoid any more trouble from my stomach. Don't you worry, honey love, everything will be alright.

So Pearl is leaving this afternoon? Well, I hope she enjoys her trip. It sure was very nice of her co workers to give her such a nice gift. It certainly must be a beaut. Someday, honey love, I'll waste you a nice gift, and believe me, they'll all sit up and take notice. It just goes to show you the difference in working for the city and for a private concern. If any body had a pinch of a gift, Nellie had it didn't she? Never mind, honey love, please God, only 22 more days and my darling wifie will be here with me. Oh, sweetheart mine, if you were only here! The time will soon be here, though, so I live in anxious expectations. Believe me, honey love, there will be "no quarter" when once I start kissing and hugging you.

Business is going on as usual. As my assault case I've decided to file it in Court anyway, with a hope of obtaining some money out of it by way of compromise. One of the divorce suits that I thought I landed, I didn't, but perhaps she might turn up. Hope she does so that I can waste a few dollars out of her. I got 3 little claims, collections, that I expect to make a few dollars out of. As yet, I didn't hear anything more out of the coca-cola matter, but I expect to hear something from them pretty soon. I got another little case from the same party in the coca-cola core, one against the street car company.

Well, honey love, how are you feeling? Are you over your illness yet? Sure do hope so, as I do kind of worry over it. You poor little kid, I sure do wish I could do something to relieve the pain when it comes on. Honey

mine, take good care of yourself, dear, and don't work too hard.

Mail man just brought in your big letter. Can't read it now, love, but will answer it to-night. Hope it has some good news.

Will close now, darling, with all my love, hugs and kisses

Your everloving hubby

Jo

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Wednesday.

Darling Honey love:-

I can hardly describe my emotions when I read your wonderful darling big letter of Sunday. How I passed through the night, I don't know, as at all times your darling, sweet self appeared before my eyes; I saw your dear eyes wet with tears, the lonesome expression in your face; Footsie mine, all in all, I felt so, that I was ready to go to hell & back then and there and carry you back with me. Darling mine, how I yearn for your love, companionship and encouragement! No one knows, dearest, except God and you. Footsie mine, how I long for your pure, darling, wholehearted kisses and the wonderful caress that always cheered me up so when I was burdened with cares! Honey love, my own dearest pet, how I wish for the time to come when I can grasp you in my arms and hold you till the Black Angel appears and, reluctantly, I must give you up. To hold you, love heart, to kiss you, to hug you! Oh, precious mine, how dumb it is all! But, Foots, the time, please God, will soon come when I will be able to do and receive all that my heart yearns for, and I am assured you, that we both will be happy in the knowledge that we love each other so. I too, merely exist, for whatever I do, is done mechanically as constantly you are in my mind and constantly counting the days and hours when I hope to have my darling Toffi with me, always praying that nothing intervene with your leaving on May 1st. Footsie, the remaining days will soon pass and we will look back to the time when our love stood the "acid test," and be ever happy in the love that we have for each other.

Foots mine, I am very happy to say that my "tummy" is practically O.K. Doctor bothers me much, at all. I have followed your advice as literaly as I could. Even now, I am taking a tablet or two, just to keep in good condition. I sure does feel good to be without those dog-gone headaches. I try and get the most simple of foods and believe me, as soon as I feel anything wrong, I'll take some of that Rhubarb & Soda. You have no idea how happy I am that your illness is over. Please God, only one more will you have to undergo it before coming here, and when it comes on, here, believe me, Love I sure will be your nurse. But, Footsie, I am quite angry with you for not telling me of your cold in your head and throat. Don't forget to let me know when such things happen to you, hear! You poor baby mine, especially when you were suffering more than usual from "it". I sure am glad that you are over it, though, so don't fail to take good care of yourself. Hear! Promise me you will take care of yourself, won't you, love?

Honey love, by this time you already know that I am going up for my second degree in masonry. I sure do hope I go through, for when I get the 32nd degree, I am then a full fledged

Mason. Love heart, I really believe it was because I wore one of the shirts you sent me that I made out so well that night at the lodge. Honey love, I felt that you were sitting on my lap, your arms about me, when I wore it. It sure is a pretty shirt. I am having it laundered and then will put it away until you come, if I can, but I suppose I can, for I am going to buy a shirt or two this week, thereby making it unnecessary for me to wear your precious gift again until you come. I didn't throw the other shirt that the laundry ~~used~~ ruined away, for maybe you could use the fo rags. I believe shirts are much cheaper here than in New York so you won't have to buy anything like that before you come. As a matter of fact, I believe all wearing apparel is cheaper here. So far as material & clothing are concerned, you need have no worry, for uncle Morris will take care of that. Shoes are now cheaper here than the were too, so I don't think you will have to buy anything like that before you come.

Honey love, I sure do hope that you have been able to take Nellie to the train. Has you as yet found out about the car? Don't forget, love dear, to advise me accordingly. Honest, when have you decided upon buying your ticket? I would suggest that you do as I did, get it about 2 weeks, at least in advance, you see, so that you can get a lower berth. Honey dear, I've spoken to uncle Morris about Zeider and uncle says that whenever we are ready we should send him here. I would suggest that he come right after passover without waiting until you come, see? Or if you want, come with him, but the best way, love, is for him to get down here as early as possible. Whenever he does leave it will be about a week before you do, and if he can't leave either before or at the same time you do, tell mondeau to send him here about a week or so after you leave. If you care to travel with him, love, do so; though he is old, you won't have any trouble with him on the way, but don't forget that he, too is to travel in a lower berth. Speak to mondeau and arrange it. If you decide to come down with him, get both ticket and 2 lower berths. Whatever you do honey love, don't forget the lower berths on the "Memphis Special" leaving on May 1st.

I think it best for Zeider to come here, especially after what has happened to mondeau. Love dear, I can hardly tell you how shocked I was. I felt all day as if I were in a trance. How that poor woman suffered! Tootsie, some day we will have her here, and all to it that she won't suffer any more, eh? You are so good and kind, honey love, that it's no wonder everybody loves you. To go to all that trouble in fixing up matters for mondeau, honey love, was wonderful of you, and I can assure you, that it will never

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be forgotten. Darling mine, I can't describe how grateful I am for your wonderfulness toward mondeau, but I can assure you it's deeply felt and appreciated. That's all I can say, for, as you know, I say little, little is true but my acts and conduct will show you how I was deeply moved. Honey love, I hope that mondeau going to the hospital will not affect your leaving on May 15. I am sure it won't for I don't think mondeau will want you to stay until she gets out of the hospital. She has gone through enough, believe me, and when you come here I shall effect to hear of everything that transpired. Before I forget, love, suppose you tell mondeau to send Elder here before she goes in. Don't you think it's best? I think so, for then he won't know about mondeau going in. Tots darling, this Mr. Kelly sure must be wonderful, and I sure do wish I could do something to show her our appreciation. Honey love, I don't want to forget either, about Henry. I want to thank you also for what you are doing for him. Tots, I never saw anything like it, but I can't get away from it. Dante Poole is always there for me graft; for instance with Helen. Oh, well, Lovie, it can't be helped. You know what is best, darling, so you go about it in your own darling way. Whatever you do, Lovie, keep me in touch with mondeau's condition. I earnestly hope and pray that everything will come out O.K. Tell her to strictly follow her doctor's advice. Sure am glad that she so readily fell in with your idea of going to the hospital. Don't you think, Lovie, that it's best not to tell Dante Poole about it? For if she goes up to see mondeau, mondeau will become greatly aggravated at the sight of her and therefore making mondeau's condition worse. I'll leave that all to you, love heart. So you do know what I alluded to about Paige. Believe me, honey love, we sure will have a lot to talk about ——— also about the "Bull-the-pit". Dear heart, I meant no offense, but when you come here I'll tell you what made me write that way, and you will see for yourself that it was extremely foolish of you to be hurt. If you want to, I'll explain fully in my letter as soon as I find out that you want me to write about it. I'd sooner write to you about it than take up our valuable time speaking over it, for we will have enough to talk about as it is. Anyway, sweetheart, please tell me in what way you were hurt,

wont you, for I myself feel hurt in thinking and knowing that unintentionally I hurt you. My own darling wife, you know I wouldn't hurt you for anything in the world. Adore you, sweetheart, I love you, love you with all my heart and soul. Again, honey love, I want to say about Uncle Norris. He told me that if he wouldn't have had any trouble with the business, Grandma would be here by this time. What he says and the way he acts, shows me he is really concerned over Grandma's welfare, and when you come, I'll tell you everything. I am sure he will do something for Grandma, as he constantly mentions how he yearns to see her. I sure do hope, love heart, that he does, for that will end our troubles, remember. Believe me, lovie dear, I'll never forget the "hell" the last 2 years had been, and believe me, our one bright spot was the pure love we ~~had~~ for each other and that pure has stood the test.

Honey love, as for the dispensary I want you to do as I say. If by the 15th they don't give you your vacation; take it. Hear? I am just about tired of seeing how you are being fooled around with. There is nothing for you to worry about darling, you will get your vacation by the 15th or you will take it. I hope you went to see hell off regardless as to Mrs. Swallow's absence. Toots, I simply won't have you standing that nonsense. Don't take it from them. Do as you please, and ask no questions. If you left it to them, you'd never get anything. So you see the advisability of following my advice which I sincerely hope you will do. It makes me sore to think of after working so hard, they turn around & treat you that way! Never mind, love heart, you will soon be leaving anyway, please God, but I sure do hope everything turns out as you desired. I sure am glad though that your family work is very light. Don't forget, honey love, don't work here, hear?

I suppose that by now Nell is in Georgia. I could just picture how you felt. I'll bet you felt like leaving for Memphis right then too, didn't you? Well, honey love, just a little soon, so "what the dif", only it can't be too soon for me. What do you say, honey love?

You are right, honey love, when you say that B.L. & H. L. Goldberg are a pair. I hadn't much to do with either one. I told Leve what I thought of him and how I feel toward him, but he still comes hanging around. I haven't even offered him the courtesy to come in the office, but still, once in a while, he comes up. He's sick & tired of him. When you are here, we'll talk about him, too, and I will then tell you what I find out recently. Believe me, as you said, he is

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nothing less than a free grafter (5) and cad! I didn't even ask him where he is living, I have lost so much interest in him, let alone asking him about the girl. Do you know, honey love, I can't get over that? The idea of telling anyone that she is going to marry and have his wife work for him! If he intended to do what I was compelled to do because of my being in the service, it would be different, but in his case ——— oh, well, "God made it, therefore let it pass as a man". What say you, precious?

So far this month, honey love, business wasn't as good as I expected. As I wrote you before, that's the way the law game is. Just when you least expect it, the cases come thick and fast. Yesterday, one of the young attorneys who is now with Abe Cohn turned over to me a few collection cases. I thanked him for it and he turned around and said he was glad to be of service to me, and at any time he can, he will turn things over to me. I expect I'll hear definitely about Einstein's job about the 17th of this month, and on the 14th, that's Monday, I'll expect to hear something about being a Notary Public. I sure do hope I get to be a notary. As soon as I hear anything, I'll let you know.

Tootsie, I can read your letters very well, the fact that it is written on both sides of the sheet doesn't matter. Because me, honey love, when I get such nice, big, fat letters, you ~~does~~ me do make me extremely happy. Oh, honey baby, how I wish the time to soon come when you can personally tell me all that you write.

Tootsie mine, I am still on the lookout for rooms. I find that 2 rooms are insufficient. Anyway, love heart, you won't do any cleaning, whether it's 2 rooms or 4 rooms. I'll get a little negress to do the dirty work. I am trying to fix a nice little comfy home so that you will be surprised when you arrive and take possession, therefore, I won't tell you what kind of rooms I got, when I get them, or what I bought, except that the bed room furniture will be of white ivory.

Well, honey love, my hand and fingers are kind of tired, so will close this letter now, with all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, my darling little angel wifie,

Ever lovingly & longingly
Your own Hubby

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April 10, 1919.
Thursday.

Dearest Toots Mine:.

I really don't know how to start in answer to your letter of Monday. My heart is of lead and can hardly concentrate my mind to write very much, a do anything else. Had a bolt come out of the clear blue sky, I would not have felt it half as much as I do the shock of the disappointment in the delay of your departure. It seems that, after all, the dispensary is interfering with your trip, and I can assure you I regret exceedingly that I didn't have you come here April 10th, or 15th. If you take your vacation from May 1st to the 16th, how under the sun can you be here before June 1st? I can't understand how it will only make a difference of one week. If mandear goes into the hospital for 10 days, starting on the 19th, she will be out, presumably, on the 29th just 2 days before you leave, that, of course is if mandear goes in for 10 days, but if she goes in for more, then I will know that her condition is, after all, worse than you told me, and therefore want you to advise me accordingly. I can hardly describe my disappointment, Toots, so won't attempt it, but I can assure you that 'tis all in. The rest of the day will be as this morning; blue, all day long, but as it can't be helped, I can't say anything. I will love to leave you to decide when to come down, do note everything is so unset I don't know what I am doing half the time. If you think it best to postpone it until the 16th of next month, all good and well; if you think that you can leave as we originally planned, its still better. I am even willing to wager that something else will turn up after this is over. I certainly am sick and disgusted with the world, to-day, after I read your letter! I think it will be best for me to give up looking for rooms, etc., as I am afraid something might turn up and I'll be stuck.

Toots, I tried to write a decent letter, but I can go no further. I'm terribly blue and disappointed. Everything is going just the wrong way, so I'd better close now with all my love, hugs and kisses,

Ever lovingly
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April 1st, 1919.
Tuesday.

Darling Wifie Nina:-

Just received your darling Saturday's letter and was surprised honey love, that Mondeau hadn't as yet received the affidavit for Zeidler. I sent it off I believe sometime last week and am sure she should have received it by now. Toots, wire, let me if she has received it yet.

Sure am surprised that you all are having cool weather in New York. Its been nice and warm all along here, but last night it turned kind of cool. We have had some real nice days and last night kind of made us all shiver.

Honey love, did you take your vacation yet? Sorter, if you would take my advice, wait until the 15th and if they make no mention of your vacation quit right there, regardless of your pay. They certainly do make me tired the way they are carrying on. One thing is certain, lovie, and that is you must leave on May 1st. I assure you don't want anything down at the dispensary to keep you there lovie, as soon as you leave, don't forget to advise me so I'll mail your letters to your mother's house.

Darling mine, I am sure between you and me, you will be able to accomplish all that will be necessary for your departure. Sure would love to be there and watch how busy you are and will be. Talk about being happy! Only 4 more Sundays to be without you. Just 5 short weeks and then my darling little wifie will be back me, and believe me sweetie, won't we both be happy though! I have done wonderfully well for March, closing my account with $167.00 for the month. I certainly do hope I have so nice a month this month. I have tried to save as much as I could love, and all I did save is just $60, and to-day is rent day, too. I really don't know where my money went to, but I know I didn't get a new shirt or pair of shoes out of it. Believe me, lovie, I'll know where the money goes, too, when you're around, and right?

Honey love, would you believe that I started this letter at just 12 o'clock and now it 2:30? Talk about being interrupted. Honey love, I've decided to change my method in writing. Hereafter I will write every night instead of during the day. So to-night, I'll write again to-night so that all you will be receiving will be a long letter. To-night I'll write all I have to, for I won't be interrupted.

Shall close now, honey love, with all my love to you, my darling wifie,

Ever lovingly
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April 12, 1919.
Saturday

My own Beloved Wife:-

No letter to-day, dearest. Maybe it because I received 2 yesterday. Sure do miss it when I don't receive any mail from you. Now I have to wait until Monday before I'll hear from my precious wife again. I can hardly write how I long for and miss you, Sooto mine. I am only hoping and praying the time to soon come around when you will be here with me. Oh, how I long for those dear little lips of yours, that will make me so happy when they touch mine in kisses of love. Honey love, do you still love your lonely and longing hubby? Tell me, darling, how much you love me. In fact, dearest, for, though I should be happy, I can't because you are not here.

Honey love, this morning I went to court and got my first decree of divorce. That nigger wench sure was excited. She was so nervous that she told on the stand just the opposite to that which she should have said. After a struggle, I got her on the right track, and believe me, I too was happy when the judge, in a low and solemn voice, said "let the decree be entered. This judge is a special judge, who is taking the place for a few days of the regular one, and he's the one whom I will have as my opponent in the Cocoa-Cola case. Then, this afternoon, I got a settlement for $50 out of the street car case. I was afraid to go to court on it, as I had no witnesses, or anything to back me up, and especially my client is a negress so I jumped at the offer. I'll probably get the check Monday, half of which amount is mine. Not so bad, is it? After I came back from court I got another case against the street car company and a divorce suit. My pupil told the fellows to see "his lawyer" meaning me. Not only that, but the case against the street car company also gave me a chance to make $5. The boy that was hurt wants me to teach him how & to write out checks as he is in business and needs to do it. I told him I would charge him $5 for 4 lessons. He agreed, gladly. You ought to see how he begged me to teach him. All in all, today made up for a whole week.

Well honey love, what have you decided to do? When are you coming to your lonesome hubby? Darling mine, I sure do hope as originally planned. How's your darling self in health? Do take care of yourself. I'm feeling much better, only terribly lonesome. How is mom-dear getting on? I sure do hope she is improving.

Shall close now, lovie dear, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling, precious wifie,

Ever lovingly your own

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April 13th, 1919.
Sunday.

Darling Wife:-

Once more it is Sunday without you. Before I got up this morning I was wondering how many more Sundays would go by before you will be here. Honey love, I am lonesome for you and continually hope and pray it won't be long before you are here. I'm terribly lonesome and hardly know what to do with myself. I have no desire whatever to go out and meet any body cordially. I don't know why, but I suppose its because I'm so lonesome for you.

To-day I am going out with Uncle Morris to look for rooms and then we are going out to see my client and have her sign a release so that I can get that $50 from the street car company to-morrow morning. I sure do hope I get it signed up to-day. Then I guess the rest of the day will be spent as usual. Will probably go into some movie picture show and then go to another until the day is over.

Honey love, I'm not feeling very well lately. I don't know whether or not its from the disappointment, but I can tell you since last week, I'm kind of upset. Don't know what I am doing half the time. Oh, well, I suppose it will pass over shortly.

Toots, how are you feeling? I am wondering what you are doing with yourself to-day. Are you preparing yourself for the trip? Honey love, don't forget what I told you. Don't worry too hard, for if you can't finish what you want to there, we can buy it down here. Just look after your health as I am concerned about that. Hear?

How is mondear Toots mine? I suppose there was much doing at the Seder. I could just imagine what happened. I spoke to Uncle Morris again about Seder and told me any time Seder wants to come here, he is welcome. His room is all prepared. It sure will be terrible when he leave. Mondear will feel badly, too.

The weather out is something wonderful. Every body is out walking, laughing and cheering and here I am all alone, feeling as blue as any one can feel. When are we going to be together, Honey love, tell me, won't you? Tell me you are going to leave on May 1st,

so that I will be so happy. Honey love, you can't imagine how I feel over the shock of the disappointment. Seems I can't get over it, somehow, but I suppose it can't be helped and so won't talk about it anymore. I feel dreadfully blue, I can assure you.

Shall close now, honey love, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, darling wife mine,

Ever lovingly

Joy.

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Darling Wifie Mine:-

Just received your darling letters of Thursday and Friday, and Lost, can hardly describe to you how happy I was to receive them, as glad as they were. Love me do wish I would already hear from you as to when you have decided to come. Honey love, I can hardly tell you how I yearn for and miss you. Everything I do is so mechanical, you would think I wasn't human. I don't know, love, but I sure do feel perfectly rotten. What with worrying over you and feeling so blue and lonesome! Oh, well, I hope it won't be long before you come and sure do hope that, at the latest, you will have by the 8th.

Honey love, made $25 to-day as I settled that case with the street car company. My other client told me the company offered to settle with him, too, so I think I'm in for a few more dollars. I filed my assault case anyway, and sure do hope I get a nice little settlement of it. Sam sorry, love, to tell you I didn't land the Notary Publicship, but I am not going to lose any sleep over it, I can assure you. Only hope I can get some nice settlement so I can have some nice money just away. Oh, well, I guess it will all come in due time.

Yesterday, honey love, Uncle Morris and Jos Solomon went looking for room. Didn't find anything yet, but Solomon told me he is going to try and find something this week. Sure do hope he does.

Lost, my tummy is feeling much better than it did, but I still get troubled with it once in awhile. Am taking cascara tablets every once in a while, to keep me in condition. Last night, I could hardly fall asleep. I felt so miserable. Love me do get blue, sweet heart mine. No matter how busy I am, you are

constantly in my mind.

Honey love, tell mumsden I've been very busy, that's why couldn't answer her letter, but will write to-morrow.

Am late for the mail, love heaps, so will close with love to you, my darling wife, and with all my hugs and Kisses,

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April 15, 1919
Tuesday.

Darling Wife:-

I just received your darling Saturday letter and me am sorry that I made you feel so badly.

Darling mine, I am writing this in open Court, as we are trying Uncle Morris' case to-day, which will take about 2 days.

Will close, darling, loving you with all my heart,

Lovingly
Joe

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April 16, 1919. 8:30 a.m.
Wednesday.

My darling precious Wiffie:-

This is an answer to your darling precious letter of Saturday which I couldn't answer yesterday when I received it, as undoubtedly you received my other letter which I had written in Court. I gave it to the nigger to mail immediately and sure hope he did. Did you get it on time? To-day I am also busily engaged in Nick Morris's case which will end about 12 noon to-morrow or the next day.

Honey darling mine, I really can't express myself as to how sorry I acted when I wrote you of the disappointment! Darling love mine, I realize now how much you have gone, and will go, through in the next few weeks. It just simply shows me, darling honey love, how more wonderful you are as each day passes! Pushing here and there, looking after mom dear and everything that can be done, you are doing, so honey love, how can I help but love you, love you with all my heart and soul, love you with an intense, inexhaustable love. Darling mine, I can't tell you how much I do love you, but, darling mine, I mean by all that's most holy, that when you come, I'll show you what you mean to me. Precious mine, I love, love love you, love you as ever man loved a pure wonderful angel! Honey dearest, Forgive me for hunting you so with ~~all~~ my other letter, but darling don't you, can't you see that it's because I'm so terribly lonesome for you that made me feel that way? Oh my baby wifie mine how I yearn and long for you! How I miss your precious lips, your sweet kisses and true devotion! How I love to see your darling sweet wonderful eyes and see the pure love you hold for me! Darling, I am poor in expression, but my heart is hungry for you, hungry to grasp you in my arms and hold you, hold you tightly forever! Toots darling, I feel much better now after I read your precious letter, but sweetheart, you must leave N.Y. by the 8th, eh? I am now

making arrangements for your arrival, please God, on the 10th.
What say you, darling?

Honey love, though I was disappointed so, at first, still I made up my mind that I would continue looking for rooms, so Sunday we went out again, and found a nice little cottage, but I don't know if I will take it yet. I am still on the look-out and as soon as anything turns up that's good, I'll take it and fix it up so that when you come, you will go to your own little home, eh, dearest? You can't imagine, love heart, how happy I am when I think of the way I am going to fix up our little home. Believe me, darling, I sure am going to make you happy and comfortable.

Sweet love, I must go to Court as it 9.15 and I must be there at 9.30, so will close now with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling, precious, wonderful wife,

Ever lovingly and longingly
Your own Hubby
Jos.

Yr Saturday's letter was not the big letter, so please, darling, I'm waiting for your darling big one Monday. Hope I get it to-day.

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April 17, 1919.
Thursday.

My Darling Honey Love:-

Just received your darling two letters of Monday, one of which should have been written Sunday. 'S funny! I knew that my wife don't love me any more. "What's the matter, Kiddo?" Felt blue yesterday because I didn't receive any mail from you, but I feel differently now, Honey love, I wish you wouldn't work so hard. Take things easy and as they come. As I said before, Lorie, what you need and haven't got when you come here, we'll buy it here, so don't worry and don't work too hard, hear?

Honey love, I won't be able to make this a big letter for I am too busy this afternoon, but to-night, I will write my usual big weekly letter. As I told you, I was trying Uncle Morris' case for 2 days, just ending at 11:30 this morning which made it exactly 2½ days that I was engaged in the trial of a law-suit. Sooty mine, I am happy to tell you that I — won! The jury was out for 5 hours and then brought in a verdict in my favor. When I write to-night, I'll tell you all about the case.

Last night, I went up for my second degree in Masonry. In other words, I was initiated into the 2nd degree. Next month, please God, I hope to go through the 3rd degree and I will be a full fledged mason. Please God, by the time you come, your "lil' ole" hubby will be a Mason. Sure am glad that I joined. Wish, too, that you could belong, but that's impossible.

Sooty darling, dreamt of you last night, and Lord, how I did feel myself kissing you and hugging you! By Jove, darling mine, I felt like laying in bed all day, just thinking of you and dreaming of those wonderful kisses. Oh, Sootsie, Sootsie, sure do hope that the time will soon be here when I can grasp you in my arms and just hold you tightly, ever so tightly, and never leave go of you. Pretty soon, though, eh, Soots?

Must close now sweetheart love mine, as somebody is coming to see me and therefore won't have time to write so will close with all my love to you, my darling wife, with all my husband kisses,

Ever lovingly yours ever Hally

Joy

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Friday.

Darling Wife Mine:-

Just received your darling Tuesday's letter which I am now answering in conjunction with your darling letter, your wonderful letter of Monday. I can assure you, love, that I can hardly describe how happy you made me with it, and how sorry I am that I became blue over the delay in your departure. By now, honey love, I've fully realized how foolish I was to feel that way when I should have known that it wasn't because you wanted to, but because you had to postpone your trip, and in that way kind of overcome my being blue. Honey love, try as I might, I can't entirely overcome my lonesomeness. To do so is impossible, for I simply crave and pine for you. Everything I do is simply done mechanically. Constantly I am thinking of the time that you will be here, for then I will have what I crave for. Your darling self, your wonderful companionship, your encouragement! Foots, I can't, simply can't, give expression of my love for you, but I am waiting, honey love, waiting until you come, when I will show you, by my acts and conduct, how I do feel towards you. Don't, for one minute think that I meant that you were satisfied to stay a week longer. I meant no such thing, for, darling mine, I know how you must be suffering because of the delay. Honey, we will take it as it comes, and now, buy your ticket as soon as you can for May 8th, and please box, on the 10th, you will be here with me.

Foots, honey love, last night I was talking to Uncle Morris and here I submit a proposition to you which I would love for you to answer immediately. There is a little frame house, 2 stories, for rent, right near Uncle Morris. The bottom is a store and over the store are 3 rooms, without a bath. Uncle Morris wants me to take this place, keeping the store vacant, but occupying the upper story. After we get a little settled we should begin fixing up the store as for a pharmacy. To do that for about 2 or 3 months so that by Sept. or Oct. it will be all fixed up so that Mondeen can come, and when she does, we will move into other quarters. Uncle Morris' object is for me to get the place and hold it until Mondeen can come. He assured me he will help Mondeen all he can, and I believe if I can get this place, it would mean the early arrival of the family. If you should decide you are willing to do this, it would in no way interfere my original plans of

of fixing our home. The only objection I have is the absence of the bath, but it would only be for 2 or 3 months, and then again, we can always make arrangements in having a bath put in. Then, when everything is fixed up nicely, we can tell mondeau to come down with the family. All mondeau will have to put in the furnis will be about $200.00 here. 3 rooms mean a small flat, but I feel sure that mondeau can arrange so that they will all be comfortable. When we get ready to call for mondeau, we will go out and look for a nice place together. Now, honey love, its up to you. Do you want to take the place for 2 or 3 months until mondeau comes? If so, and if I can get it for May 1st, I will take it. Don't forget, lovie dear, to let me know immediately. I believe there is a good chance for mondeau to be here this fall. I am going to write mondeau, too, about it, and I would like for you, darling, to speak to her about it and let me know accordingly. As a matter of fact, I'll wait, before I write mondeau, until I hear from you. All I want, lovie mine, is you, and I want you here by the 10th. Toots mine, you just wait when I meet you at the depot! Uh, and what I will do to you! Believe me, sweetheart, I won't cry quits!

Before I go further, love, what has mondeau done regarding that letter about her allotment of $90? I would suggest that she return it. As for yours, honey love, I can't understand how they want $219. Did you get $99 in addition to that $120 check? It is best, love, not to fool with the Government now, as I am still in the service. Let me know, honey love, what you have done. If you haven't the money to return with them you haven't the money, but that you are willing to make monthly remittances until the account is settled, and then I will pay it. K? As for my boots, I forgot to write those people, but have written to day. Just pack them any old way into a box and then their representative will call.

As you know by now, I was Uncle Morris' case. Uncle Morris was a sub-lessee, and the original lessee going into bankruptcy made Morris' lease forfeited. I saw no way out of it until I went further in the matter and found

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that no forfeit was declared, (13) so our bet stood we won. You can't imagine how hotty Uncle Morris is. Everybody in town was interested in it. As for me, lawyer Queen Knew epistes came over and shook hands with me. I sure did feel big, honey love. In the midst of his glee, he made the proposition to me. Now, Toots, what do you say? I can assure you, it was some case, lasting exactly 2½ days.

Wednesday night, as you know, I was initiated into the 2nd degree in free-masonry. Honey love, I sure wish I could describe to you how wonderful it was, but it is impossible, so you can take it from me, the Masonic Order is the most wonderful organization in the world.

Honey love, so far this week I made 8/30 even. I sure do hope I make 10 more before the week is over. Business is going on as usual. Getting little and big jobs here and there. I am only hoping and praying that I can do, at least, good business, to tide us over the summer months. I feel confident of doing a little that will make things run smoothly. I didn't get that Notary Publicship, and don't care, either. Respect to Christine's job any day now. I am feeling fairly well, but my stomach is still bothering. I sure did feel rotten Monday night. Everybody was going to Seder, but me. Uncle Morris didn't make any. Well, honey love, when you come, won't we have a Seder? Oh, love mine, how I am yearning for my own home already. I sure was glad Louis Kuttyman came up to mon dear's after the Seder. Honey love, you are wonderful in everything you do! You have no idea how hotty you have made me! Honey love, Joe Solomon is here now and he want me to do something, so I'll have to bring this to an end. I had intended to make this a nice long letter, but

if I have time, I'll complete it to-night, if not, I'll finish it to-morrow.

So will close now, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you my darling, sweetheart wife.

Ever lovingly your own

Shelby Joe

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Saturday

Darling Wifie:-

Just received your darling letter of Wednesday and believe me, honey love, if anything was appropriate that little clipping you inclosed, surely is. To use slang "that's just my sentiments", but with this correction; I don't miss you half as much as you miss me, but just as much, honey love. Just as much as one would miss his most valuable and priceless jewel. Honey love, you have no idea how I long for you, and how I long for the 10th of May, so I can greet you and hug you "already yet." Please God, 3 weeks from today and hour, you will be with me, eh, sweetheart, love? When I think that it would have only been 2 more weeks, I feel a pang; but, as that can't be helped, we must be satisfied with 3 weeks. Honey dear, I at times, feel as if the days are like centuries! If they would only pass quickly! I suppose it will, lovie, and before we know it, we'll be together. Dog-gone, but I sure will be happy! How about you, darling? (Foolish question #5674389).

Honey love, I suppose to-day, mondeau is going to the hospital. I sure do wish she comes out all well, already. You can't imagine how angry I get when I hear mondeau is taking care of herself. I certainly am glad that you made her go to the hospital. I know that a child at home she is damning herself, especially now with Henry. Poor kid, he sure is delicate! I, I sure would love to give him a kiss right on his delicate sweet little lips! Do you know, love dear, for a boy, he sure has a sweet little mouth. As for my writing to mondeau more often, I write at every opportunity I get. At times I haven't a minute to spare and sometimes just enough time to write you a few words. That's why my letters have been kind of short this week, but, honey love, the time will soon come, when no more writing letters, but that we can tell each other between hugs and kisses, eh, lovie?

I read Ada's letter, and dear, as soon as we are comfortably settled, we'll see what we can do for her. Of course, as you know, our duty is to mondeau and the family first. I feel sure that we can do something for Ada here. Just last week I was talking to Printess about her. When you come, honey love, we will attend to her case. She sure deserves better luck, after all. When you write to her tell her that when she comes here, she won't

laugh at the way I had the house fixed up. I suppose I'll fool you this time in that I am inclosing her letter. Didn't know but that you would want it.

As for myself, I am getting on just about the same. Yesterday my stomach kind of bothered me, but to-day it much better. No, honey love, Uncle Morris doesn't observe the holidays so Orient without Seder. Oh, well, no use feeling blue over it, but when you are here, we'll observe them, eh, lovie? For winning that one, Uncle Morris and Solomon made me a gift of 6 beautiful shirts - $1 75/100 quality. I needed them badly and was about to buy some, when they got ahead of me. Pretty nice of them, what do you say?

Darling, you didn't tell me how much you love me. Don't you love me just a tiny bit? I sure do love to read of how much you love me. So don't forget. And never forget to take good care of yourself, dear.

Must close now darling, with all my love to you, darling sweetest wife and mine, all my hugs and kisses,

Your Ever lovingly and longingly

Hubby

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Sunday

Darling Honey Love:-

Just received your precious letter of Thursday. I'm am sorry I disappointed you in the size of my letter, but I hope you realize that it was quite impossible for me to write more, as you know by now I was quite busy with Uncle Morris's case. Even to-day, I will be busy because they are still bothering Uncle Morris and I have to put a stop to it. You see, I wrote it in court, and not having any 3¢ stamps, used 2¢ stamps. My pole idea, darling, was to write something anyway, so that you could have your daily letter.

Yes, darling mine, my precious wife, please God, 3 weeks from today you will be with me. You have no idea how happy I am! Only 2 more Sundays without you, honey love, and then, love —— then? It's about time that the people down at the dispensary are paying nice things about you, honey love. Whatever they say in compliment to you, I can assure you, they don't give you half the credit that you are due. I certainly am glad that you are attending to the case to be shipped by express. Send it to 137 So. Main, to M. Frankenstein, if I don't send an address by then. That of course is when you can't send it on your ticket.

Darling Tootsie, don't let mondeau revoke her promise to go to the hospital. You know how she is. Do whatever she says, don't agree, but let her go to the hospital and please God, that will do her good. I will write mondeau as often as I can. You see, tootsie, I want to let you know everything and then you can tell mondeau about it, if I can't write to her, see?

Honey love, the weather is magnificent out, everybody dressed in their Easter clothes, happy, laughing and enjoying themselves, but I will have to be indoors, as I will be quite busy. I don't mind it, though, because you are not here, but when you come, Lovie, we will sure

will enjoy ourselves, eh?

Honey love, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Remember, take good care of yourself and strictly remember that I love you.

Must close now, darling, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling precious wifie,

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Joe

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Monday.

Darling Honey Love:-

Just received your darling Sunday's letter and sure am sorry that you missed one of your daily letters. I know that I mailed it on time, so, therefore, think that it was merely a delay in the mail.

Honey love, I sure am glad that you kind of enjoyed yourself at the circus. I sure do hope I can see your precious self in the movies. Darling mine, I cant express how I yearn for a glimpse of you. Hog-gone, lovie, I sure do love you and feel so happy to think that soon, please God, I will have you with me. Jo Solomon is out to-day looking for a place, but it seems that after all, I will not be able to get a place with a bath. Uncle Morris told me to take what I can until the fall, and I think, from the way he talks, he is going to give me a part of his plot out upon which to build. Of course, honey love I will try and get the best I can for rent is no object, if its within reason. I sure do hope everything turns out well. I am glad you told me about the iron. I'll get it, and anything else you want, so just let me know, hear?

Toots, did mom mean go to the hospital Saturday? I sure do hope so, and I am certain it the best thing for her. and how is Henry E.? Hope he is over the ellies. The good kid sure is delicate.

Honey love, I pulled off something big to-day. Pinstein's brother bought a building and is paying $25000.00. I am to close the deal. I expect I'll make about $500.00 or so out of it. Hope I do. Easy money, that. I've been getting little accounts here and there. And do hope that business continue so that we can have easy sailing during the summer months. My stomach is a little better than it was. Sure do hope I can get it back in shape. The weather is simply wonderful! Nice clean days and believe me, days in which to make love, so honey dearest, hurry on down, as I'm just

craving to make love to my little sweetheart. What do you say, loviedear?

How are you feeling, honey love? How are you in general health? Don't forget, sweetheart, to take good care of yourself, hear?

Must close now darling, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, darling wifie mine,

Ever lovingly

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Tuesday

Precious Honey Love:-

Just received your darling Saturday's letter and Sootsie, sure was good that you got a letter that day, especially when you are looking forward for a letter each day. I know how it feels, love, when I don't get my usual letter, so I can assure you, I am always writing so that you can have your mail regularly.

By this time, love dear, you know that I beat Uncle Morris's case and believe me, he sure is tickled. It sure was a nice big case. While I am about it, Soots, I want to tell you upon what I decided insofar as rooms are concerned. Solomon made the offer I have, and Uncle Morris was tickled. They are going to fix the 3 rooms upstairs, as a regular apartment. Going to have a sink in the kitchen and all the conveniences of a home; paper and paint the walls, and do all that will be necessary. Then they are going to put in a shower in the bathroom, this because they want me, or rather, us, to live there. They assured me that you won't have to come in contact with Aunt Lena, or anyone else, if you don't want to. The upstairs will be ours, our own home, see? Then we will have the use of the bathroom, and practically the whole house. They are going to fix up the garden, and when they do, they are going to set apart a little ground for you to take care of, if you so desire, as a little flower bed. Whatever they raise in the garden, we will get some, such as tomatoes, lettuce, etc. As a matter of fact, if they had told me this in the beginning, I wouldn't have looked for anything else. The place is in one of the best sections of the City, a beautiful neighborhood, I assure you, and I am confident you will like it. The rooms are small, but, oh, won't they be comfy and cozy, though. My rent, love, will be $10.00 a month, so you see, how

easy it will be for us during the summer months especially. When my practice permits, we will look for larger and better quarters. In the mean time, I will be able to pay off the furniture and will have one of the nicest and coziest little home, out. You won't have to do any cleaning either, as the girl that lives there will do all that. Now, tell me, sweetheart, what do you think of it?

Sweetheart, has Mondeau gone in to the hospital? Let me how things are progressing. How are you feeling in health, darling mine? Take good care of yourself, heart?

Must close now, darling with all my love, hugs, and kisses to you, my darling, sweetheart wife, whom I yearn so to see and have with me,

Ever lovingly your hubby

Jo

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Wednesday

Precious Darling Wife:-

Just received your darling wonderful letter of Sunday wherein you sent your few pictures of you and the baby. Honey love, I sure was disappointed in that I didn't get a good picture of you. I wonder what can be the matter with the camera! Never mind, love, someday I'll buy you a nice and better one. When I first saw the pictures, you should have seen how happy I was, as I thought surely they were all of you. Anyway, love heart, the 2 pictures of you were fine. Only, in the one where you were holding the baby, you should have faced the camera, and then I would have had a splendid picture of you. I showed the pictures to everybody at the shop, and everyone asked me if it was a little doll or a real baby when they saw Helen's picture. She sure must be some baby, I'll bet.

Tootsie mine, I sure am glad that mondear has already entered the hospital. He sooner the better, I thought, and I am now anxiously awaiting word that she has entirely recovered and is out, well and happy. Everytime I think of poor mondear, I feel an awful pang go through me. I only hope and pray that Roon will be comfortably settled so that we can take care of her. Uncle Morris and I were speaking of her last night, all night, and he said again that as soon as things are kind of straightened up, mondear will be taken good care of. He certainly feels badly over mondear's illness and when I read to him about Sainte Rose, he said "you have no right to talk, as you know that since Popdear died, you couldn't afford to invite them to big suppers, give them wine and whiskey, besides money and clothes," so you see, dearest, what people think of her. I received a letter some time ago from her, but I am not going to answer. When you come down, love dear, you will tell me all, won't you, Toots? Tootsie, will you please have some flowers sent up to mondear, and let me know how much it cost, and I will remit immediately. I don't want you to spend any of your money, see, but I want to see mondear comfortably settled. Also, dear,

let me know how mail can reach her, so that I can write to her. I really can't describe how I feel for poor Nore. She sure is a wonderful girl, and I can assure you, that whenever it is in my power, I'll pay her back for what she has done. Only hope, Lovie, that monsieur won't suffer much. Sure was glad that Henry is now feeling O. K. Hope sincerely that he continues in good health. How about Polly? Is he behaving himself alright now? He sure is a source of worry. If he would only be good! I think he is much better now, don't you think so? Well, honey love, I am sure that everything will turn out O. K. in time.

Please God, darling mine, in 17 days you will be here. Honey love, can you imagine? Only 17 days from the date of this letter, just a little over 2 weeks. You have no idea how happy I am to be able to count them in days now. Honey love, we sure will be happy in our own little home, eh, Toots? At nights now, I find it difficult to fall asleep, for I am continually thinking of you and how I am going to fix up our home. Oh honey love mine, it is impossible for me to describe how happy I am to feel that in the very near future, you will be here with me. How I love and adore you! Honey love, I worship you, honestly I do, and always I am thinking of my sweetheart wife who will soon be here with me. Believe me, honey love, no more lonesome Sundays for you and me when we are together again! We'll stroll around, go here and there and we sure will enjoy ourselves, eh? You'll see, honey love, how happy we'll be.

Jon Solomon is having the rooms fixed up and I can assure you, Lovie dear, that when it all fixed up, they won't be a cozier home in the world. The room we are going to have for a bed-room, sure is wonderful. Closets galore, only convenience that you would want, is up there! When you open the window of the bedroom, the odor of the magnolias on the tree which is right in front of the building, perfumes

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the whole place. Toots love, before I forget. When you shift your case, send it to me, at 580 McKinley St, Memphis, Tenn., as that will be our residence, see? Honey love, I am sure you will like the rooms as much as I do. Don't forget, love, that under no circumstances do you have to have anything to do with my aunt, or anyone else. It will be your home, and you will be able to do anything you like. You ought to see and hear Solomon and my aunt always talking about you and hoping that you will like the place. I assured them that you would. Sis is telling you, love heart, they sure are treating us nicely.

Honey love, don't forget to advise me when you get your ticket, heart? Sure do hope that by the time you receive this, you will have your ticket, and that you will leave on the 8th of May. Honey dearest, whenever I think of how soon you will be here, please God, I get so impatient, you wouldn't believe. God! How I just yearn to hold you in my arms and hug and kiss you, kiss your darling eyes and hair and oh, just to hold you and rock you in my arms. How I want you to see your own little home already! Darling mine, I am not fixing up the office and won't until I just have my little home fixed up. That's going to be our little castle, eh, Toots love? And you are going to be the Queen and — boss! What do you say, love heart? I have made up my mind to buy for about $200 or $300 worth of furniture. You'll, by taking the room with Uncle Mose, don't have to take $500 or $600 worth, and yet, we will have one of the loveliest little homes out. Lovy, lovy, you have no idea how I want to be at the depot already to meet you, my darling wifie.

Honey love, things with me are about the

come. Still picking up cases here and there, and just when I least effect it. I only hope it continues that way throughout the summer at least. I'm pretty confident we'll manage through those months. I am getting in with a lot of big men through the lessons. I Knew you would be happy if I joined and feel it the best thing I could have done. Wonderful is no name for it and I can tell you, that the first thing I am going to do is put you in the woman's part of the organization. I Know, Toot, you'll like it.

Honey, one more thing. If I get the case you are going to, before you come, shall I open it and put your things away, in the dresser, etc.? Don't forget to let me Know. I would much rather you send it ahead of time so I will get it before you come, so that when you arrive, you will be able to bathe and change clothes.

Well, honey love, I'd love to doe now, write all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, darling wife mine,

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Joy

Dearest, don't forget that your home address will be 580 McKinley St, Memphis, Tenn.

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Thursday.

My Darling Precious Wife:-

Just received your darling letter of Monday, and honey love, you sure did make me happy with news of mondear. I sure am glad that she is improving so splendidly and feel confident that, please God, she will be out of the hospital within the 10 days. I told Uncle Morris the good news and he sure was happy. Darling mine, don't forget to keep me posted as to how she is getting on, also how poor Rose is keeping everything. She sure must be suffering.

Honey love, about the store, we won't be able to do anything until after June 1st, as that is the time the present occupant will move. The place is very suitable for a drug store, but there are a great many other places. We can't do anything until June 1st, and that will be after you are here, so when you come, we will be able to decide, so, to be frank with you, Uncle Morris want to wait until you come. The rent is only about $150 or $225 for the whole place, so that needn't worry us, but as you are not here, his lot, so far as the drug business is concerned, so I figured that it would be best to wait until you come. In the meanwhile, let keep my eyes open for something, so that we will be able to see our way clear. I am certain that an investment of this kind will be splendid and mondear won't have to put in more than $200 to, so that it won't take her last penny. Well, Sweetie, we will wait on that until you come.

As for the checks, darling, whatever you do will be alright. By the way, Lovie, I forgot to write to the boys Jim to send for the books. Will you please write to F. O. Lacey, 244 Fifth Ave., N. Y. C., N. Y. and tell him his client can call for the books at 70 Somers St. In the mean time, just put the books in the box below stairs.

Honey love, here's a bit of good news. I am to start on Friday night to take care of Einstein's books which means $10.00 a little more, each month. I sure did

want to hand that. The Pasteurs are helping me a good deal, I must admit. I followed your advice, Toot, and took some calomel, and feel much better after it. My wife sure is some doctor, el?

Honey love, I sure do love you! Love you with all my heart and soul. Toots, darling, honestly and truly, I can't write how much I love you. I must show you, sweetheart, and show you I will, all the time. Believe me, lovie, just you wait until I meet you at the station. Darling, please God, just 2 weeks from to-day, you will be leaving N. Y. Oh, Tootsie mine, how happy we will be together, el, love?

Must close now, darling, with all my love, hugs, and kisses to you, sweetheart wife mine,

Ever lovingly your hubby

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April 25, 1919
Friday.

My Own Darling Wifie Mine;

Just received your darling Tuesday's letter, with the picture you enclosed and honey love, if anyone has the right to kick about being fooled as to the size of a letter, I have, for when I opened your previous letter, I thought sure it was your picture. Sact about being fooled! But, honey love, 2 weeks from to-day, please God, you will be on your way, eh, lovie! Just think, Sort, how phast the time is getting and pretty soon, please God, we'll be kissing and hugging each other, eh? Honey love, you have no idea how I yearn for the time to come. Believe me, sweetheart, at the station, I'll just bite you more than! I get so restless and impatient when I think of how phast the time is, you can hardly imagine! Ah, well, sweetest girl, please God, the time will soon come, and our letters will be a thing of the past.

I sure am glad that mondear is progressing so nicely. It's the best thing you can do, love, when you buy Dr. Kelly a gift, and as soon as you let me know, I'll write her a letter of thanks. Lovey, I sure am glad that you insisted upon mondear not going so often to the cemetary. That's what did her most harm. I just mighty pray that she will be alright and leave the hospital pretty soon. How long do you think it will take her to be in, eh? I hope she will be able to leave before the 10th, or rather, by the 8th, when you are to leave. It sure would be fine if she could go away for a while. How can we arrange it, love? Let me know.

Sweetest, next week, Solomon is going to start on our rooms. Going to have the walls papered and everything made comfortable. We sure are going to have a nice comfy, little home, I can assure you. Uncle Morris said that because of your arrival, they are fixing up the garden for you and are going to plant about 300 tomatoe plants. You can just picture what kind of a garden it's going to

be. Due or about the 5th, (I think it will be the 5th), Uncle Morris, Solomon & I are going to get the furniture. That week is going to be some busy week, what do you say?

Well, love, business has kind of slowed up, but hope it will soon pick up. My "tummy" is kind of better now but I think I need the best doctor in the whole world to cure me, and that's you, my darling wife, Tootsie, Tootsie, I sure do need and want you, and lonely hope and pray that nothing occurs to prevent you from leaving on the 8th.

Honey love, darling, how are you feeling? I suppose by the time you receive this "it" has visited you already. Love heart, be careful and take things easy. Don't work too hard, hear?, and remember your promise to rest up as much as possible.

Must close now, darling, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my precious, sweetheart wife,

Ever lovingly yours

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April 26, 1919.
Saturday.

My Darling Precious Wifie:-

Just received your darling Wednesday's letter, and can hardly describe to you how happy I was that Mondeau is improving so nicely. Poor Mondeau! She sure suffers, and honey love, my heart goes out to her. If I can only do something already, so that she can be here. I am still on the outlook for something, and I am quite sure that pretty soon, please God, we will all be together and I will be able to take good care of her. Often times I feel as if I would enjoy a good cry, when I think of how the family is broken up, but I simply can't. I can assure you of this much, we will look try our best for poor Mondeau, while we have! Even now you are so wonderfull towards her! Honey love, I received a letter from Rose just now, and dearest, I can tell you, that I will surely care for Rose as I will for Mondeau. She certainly is one of the most wonderful girls there are. I can't write her very much on account of Lolly, but she says he is terrible. I started to write him something that he will remember, but Rose admonished me not to. Poor love, he's rotten. So you tell Rose, that anything of importance, such as finding a place here for the family, I'll only write to you, and then you will let her and Mondeau know, until you leave. Honey, I sure am glad you rejoined Sante Fe and Uncle Jack. I am sure that if you did that, there is a very good reason for it, and therefore glad you did it. Sure was glad to read that everything is going along nicely. In the meantime, honey love, I'm on the outlook for something for Mondeau, so tell her not to worry and take things easy. Give her my love and wishes for a speedy recovery. I sure do miss her, too. Oh, well, please God, everything will come out O.K. in God's own time. Again, lovie, tell her to take good care of herself and I am sure she will be alright.

Honey love, please God, 2 weeks from the

time of writing, you will be here with me. Tootsie love, you have no idea how happy I am to think that the time is so short. I am having everything attended to, love, so have no worry. I believe you know by now that I am taking the upper apartment at Uncle Morris's. You'll have a nice bath; the phone, too, when that's put in. All in all, love heart, I am sure we'll have a nice little comfortable home, so darling mine, you needn't worry about the bath. Remember, too, Tootsie, that we will have electric and gas lights, in addition, so you see we will have a nice home, eh?

Honey love, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Oh, Tootsie mine, how I long and yearn for you! Thank God, the time is short, and I hope and pray that God will spare me so that we can be together again.

Darling, will have to close now with all my love to you, my precious wifie, and with all my hugs and kisses,

Ever lovingly yours only,

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April 27, 1919.
Sunday

Beloved Darling Wifie:-

Right after I had mailed your letter, I received your darling letter of Thursday, so saved it to answer to-day. Darling mine, please God, 2 weeks from to-day, you will be with me. Honey love, just think! Only 2 more weeks and thank God, our separation will be over! Honey love, you have no idea how happy I am, and believe me, it will certainly be the climax when I grasp you in my arms at the station. Lord, how I yearn and long for the time to come already! You sure will be with me all day, down at the office and down town, too. Believe me, honey love, I sure am going to make up for lost time, as a matter of fact, the both of us will, eh, Tootsie? As for loving you, Toots, if it rains, why, that's foolish. You know, darling mine, I'll love you all the time, under any circumstances. If the weather doesn't happen to be nice, why, I'll bring an umbrella along, see?

Our home, darling, is being worked on now, and Solomon just tells me that the place will be fixed up completely by next Sunday. Love, don't worry, everything will be taken care of and I am sure that when you come you will find that it's just as you wanted it. I'm bothering the life out of Solomon so that he should fix it up nicely. As for coming in contact with Aunt L, I am assure you, you don't have to, as we will have our separate apartment and in no way will you see her. Solomon himself said that was why he was making it so, that it won't be necessary for you to see her or come in contact with her. You see, I was always afraid that you would have to hang around her, that's why I went looking for rooms, but Solomon, to help me out, said he would fix it so that it wouldn't be necessary for you to come in contact with Aunt L, so that's why I took the rooms there. Anyway, love, I am sure everything will be alright.

Honey love, I sure am glad that mondear is progressing so nicely, I sure do hope she continues to

Remember me to her, and tell her not to worry, as I am constantly on the watchout for something.

Honey love, how are you feeling? Has "it" come yet? Sure do hope you won't suffer from it very much. Remember, take it easy, and rest as much as you can.

Must close now, honey love, with all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, my darling wife,

Ever lovingly

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April 28, 1919
Monday

My Own Darling Precious Wifie:-

Just received your darling precious Friday's letter and can't describe to you how happy I was to read it. You certainly were happy when you wrote that, weren't you? Darling mine, I just read and reread it, for I sure was happy that you were happy. Believe me, my darling little baby wifie, you are not going to stop kissing and hugging me, for I won't let you. I love so much of it that I miss it fearfully, and I sure am going to bite your precious lips more than once. Please God, lovie, only 12 more days and my honey love will be home with me. Will I be happy? Honey love, I ought to put that question and ask if you will be happy. For lovie dear, as to me, happy is too mild. I am unable to give vent to my feelings and so will let it rest until you come, when I will be able to show you, honey love, dearest.

Tootsie, it certainly was fine of this Mr. Emanuel to get you that case. I'll bet it certainly is some case. toots, as to shipping it, I would suggest that you send it by express, before you leave, and send it C.O.D. to me, for I am worried that it might not catch the same train that you will travel on, and therefor if you ship it, say, on the 5th, I'll get it before you come and it will all be ready for you upon your arrival. You see, lovie, I want to make certain that you will have your things when you come. What If you ship it as I suggested, then call up the American Railways Express Co., and they will call at the house for it and will send it direct to me. If you take it with you, then, a few days before you leave, get the people at the Penn. Sta. to call for it in time to get your train. Is this all clear, dear? I hope, dearest, you will see the advisibility of doing as I directed above. Tootsie, Solomon told me to write you that you ought to bring Mostly dresses, as they are wearing them now and not so much of suits, so, Tootsie, bring as many dresses as you can. If you haven't any, we'll buy some here, so don't worry on that score. Don't forget, lovie, to let me know when you get your ticket.

Honey love, I sure am glad that mon-dear is continuing to improve. Certainly do hope she keeps it

up as I would like to hear already, that she is entirely well and out of the hospital. I am sure that those deaths in the ward effected mon dieu, but after all, in the ward it is much better for her, as she won't be so lonesome. I sure do hope that everything will turn out O.K. as for the mail, I'll follow your advise and keep on mailing it to Nore.

Honey love, precious, how are you feeling? How are you in general health? Has "it" visited you yet? I hope, sweetheart, that you won't suffer much from it. Please God, if He spares you, it will be the last time "it" will come while we are separated and the next time, please God, I hope, I'll be savior you to comfort you. Remember, lovie, take good care of yourself, don't work too hard, and rest up as much as you can.

Tootsie love, I've got to go to the Courthouse, so must therefor bring this to a close, with all my love, hugs, (tight ones, too) and kisses to my dearly beloved darling wife.

Ever lovingly

Joe.

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April 29, 1919.
Tuesday.

Darling Wifie Mine:-

Just received your darling Saturday's letter, and Sootsie, let me again assure you of my happiness when we come together, thereby ending our torturing separation. Honey love, words fail me, therefore I can't tell you how I miss and long for you, but, please God, Saturday a week, I hope and trust I will be able to hold you, oh, so tightly, in my arms, never to be separated again during our lives. Lovie darling, I'm counting the days already and hope, precious sweetheart, that the time will soon, soon, very soon, come, when we both will be supremely happy. Love heart, I am yearning and praying for the short days to pass, when I can hold you in my arms, kiss you, and hug you, and tell you how much I love you, call you my sweetheart, and all the endearing terms I always loved to call you. Sweetheart wifie mine, you ask what I would like you to bring me when you come; all I want, lovie dearest, is your darling precious self, your sweet, pure, wholesome love, that love which I, with God's help, will always try to deserve and which has always kept me steady when I felt faint. My own baby, I haven't forgotten, nor will I ever forget the suffering you have gone through during the past 2 years; no, love, I will never forget that, or the trust and confidence you placed in me, or the encouragement and love you gave me when all seemed dark. Sootsie love, when I think of those days, a pang goes through me, for I know fully realize what you have gone through, and with God's help, I will try my hardest to make you happy and contented, for we will both be comrades and companions, besides being a loving wife and husband. Honey love, what do you say? Do you feel that you will be happy without your immediate family being near you? Sweetheart, I realize that at first you will feel quite lonesome, but, please God, I'll be everything to you and will try ever so hard, to give you happiness.

Honey love, the news about mommie certainly gratifies me. I'm so glad that, no matter how little, she slept on her own accord. I'm pretty sure that, please God, she

will soon be discharged from the hospital. Darling, it's wonderfull of you in getting mondear all those magazines and periodicals. As for Rose, I sure do hope she can keep it up, until mondear gets well.

Pootsie, everything is going on as usual, business, though, has kind of dropped off. Hope it picks up soon. I believe it will, too. Yes, love, Pristeins little pot comes in mighty handy. As for my "tummy" it better now. That calomel helped me. Sunday, I had a fierce headache. Got a big capsule of calomel and those some migraine tablets, and believe me, it sure did relieve me.

Last night, I met the Benatsky and you should have seen the way they acted when I told them that you would be here next Saturday, please God. The Benatsky girl sure is insistent that I introduce you to her as she says she is going to be your best friend. I told her I would do so, then she was satisfied.

Honey love, how are you feeling? How are you in general? I sure am worried about "it". Let me know, lovie, how you passed through it. Take good care of yourself, lovie, hear?

Must close now, sweetheart, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling wifie,

Ever lovingly

Joe.

I am now mailing your letters to your mother's. That right, isn't it, love?

Joe

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April 30, 1919.
Wednesday

Darling Wife Mine:-

Just received your darling Sunday's letter. Sure was glad to read that you are making preparations for your departure. Happy! Honey love, I'm as happy as a lark, to think that to-morrow, a week, you will be here. By Jove, it sure does mean something to me. Last night I was talking to Mrs. Solomon and she also agreed with me that you could have been here and lived on the same amount that it cost me heretofore, but that's over with, so now I must buckle down and try and make a lot of money. Yesterday I met that big mason I told you about, and he sure was glad to hear I beat Uncle Morris's case and the case involving the child, where I had made $1000.00 to-morrow, he promised to take me all around City Hall and introduce me to his personal friends. I can assure you, Lovie, that's some lift.

Certainly was happy love to hear that mom dear is progressing so nicely. Sure do hope she continues so and would love to hear already that she is out of the hospital already. I just received a letter from Rose, too, in which she also wrote me about mom dear.

Honey love, as for the 3rd room, I'll see which is best. You see, dear, in that room I'll only be able to lay down oil-cloth, as it is too big for a rug. Even as a dining room, we can fix it up so as to be just the place for comfort and rest. You will see, dearest, that everything will be attended to in shipshape manner. My whole heart is set on the bed room, though, and Tootsie love, I sure am going to fit up that room nicely with an ivory 4 piece set. You have an ivory table lamp, haven't you, love? Perhaps we can use that too, in the bed-room? What do you say, love heart? It's pretty certain, honey love, I'll be able

to fit up that room just as you want it.

Honey darling, just 10 days more, and, please God, our torturing separation will be over. To tell you the truth, love heart, I don't know how I ever stood it this far, but I can assure you, darling, it surely did awaken me to the fact that I love you so much. Next Tuesday, I believe, will be the last letter I'll write you, for by the time you get that, you will be leaving. Oh, honey love, you don't know how happy I am.

Must close now, precious, with all my love, hugs and kisses to you, my darling sweetheart wife,

Ever lovingly,

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May 1st, 1919.
Thursday

My own darling Sweetheart:-

Just received your darling Monday's letter which stoned hair reached me yesterday, but missed Monday's train, evidently, as you must have mailed it too late. Oh, well, lovie, please God, 1 week from to-day, you will start out, and oh, honey love, how I just yearn to grasp you in my arms already! Never mind, toots, I know I am going to make up for lost time. How about you, sweetheart? Am I counting the days? Lovie dearest, not only that, but I am constantly thinking how I am going to kiss and hug you! How I am going to make love to you, more than ever before, and please God, I am striving to make you happy. Tell you how much I love you? "Can't be did", for words are too mild and therefore must wait until you come and then —— then, lovie, I'll show you. You may rest assured, darling mine, that my love for you is without bounds. Only 9 more days, please God, lovie, and we will be together again!

Precious, you have no idea how happy I was to read that "it" didn't effect you so much this time, so darling, hereafter, you will always rest up when it appears. Hear? you may believe me, when it comes on, I'll see to it that you do rest up. You'll see if I don't.

Honey love, how is mondeau getting on? I sure do hope she is improving nicely. By Jove, I sure would love to hear that she is out already. Remember me to her and give her my love. Tell her I'm still looking out for something for her, so she shouldn't worry.

Pootsie, before I forget, did you get your ticket yet? Another thing, don't forget to send me a telegram when you leave. And the night you leave, and address it to my office

So-night, lovie, I'm going to be examined on my 2nd degree and will be voted on for the 3rd degree in Masonry. I can hardly tell you how happy I am. I

joined. When you are here I'll tell you everything.

Must close now Lovie, with all my love, hugs & kisses, and hoping you will take good care of yourself,

Ever lovingly

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May 2nd, 1919.
Friday.

Darling Wife Mine!

Just received received your darling letter of Monday, and precious, you must not let Mr. Swallow's absence, at least, ~~and~~ interfere with your plans. I sure do hope that by now you have quit the dispensary. Believe me, honey love, I am constantly praying that nothing interferes with your leaving on the 8th. Lovie, it's just reckoning the way things will fop off just at the last minute. I sure do hope that nothing happens, as I sure am lonesome for you. I hope that by now you bought your tickets. Did you? Don't forget, love, your lower berth reservation. I sure do hope you have a pleasant trip, though. Are you all prepared? Hope so, lovie. Say hard, lovie, that nothing should come in your way when you are about to leave.

Honey love, I sure am glad that mondear is getting on so well. I sure hope she gets out of the hospital by Saturday. See, if I could only do something for her already. Well, I suppose the time will soon come, though, when everything will come out O. K.

Last night, tootsie, I was passed in my examination on the 2nd degree, and voted & elected upon the 3rd degree. I thought that by the time you come, I'll be a full fledged, Mason, but I was notified by my uncle that I will receive my 3rd degree on the 27th of this month, then I'll be a full fledged Mason. I can assure you it the best investment I could have made. I was also advised last night that I was unanimously elected to the Phils Club, which I want to join for your sake, as this is an elite social club, all Jews, and frequently give entertainments and dances, so you readily realize my object in wanting

join. As soon as I can afford it, I'll join the Rex Club, which is "possibly" for my wife's sake.

Honey love, I'll have to close now, with all my love, hugs & kisses to you, my darling wife,

Ever lovingly

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May 3rd, 1919.
Saturday

My Own Darling Wifie.

Just received your darling letter of Wednesday, and Sooto love, you have no idea how happy I am to think that one week from to-day, you will be here with me, please God, and cuddling closely in my arms. Oh, Tootsie mine, I assure you, I am dog-gone impatient for the time to come! Sweetheart mine, just to give you a good, solid kiss! Believe me, I'd give anything ~~am~~ for it, but anyhow, please God, next Saturday in this time, I'll be with and oh, boy, won't I be happy! No quits, remember!

Sweetheart I am continually hoping and praying that nothing crops up to prevent you leaving on the 8th. Sure do hope that Mr. Swallow's absence does not in any way hinder you in your plans. Don't get discouraged or provoked, Lovie, unduly because things seem to come in bunches. Remember what I told you, don't worry too much, and take good care of yourself, hear? Certainly was glad "it" gradually disappeared. Honey love, do that for me. Take good care of yourself and don't become overwrought.

Certainly am glad that Mondea is improving. Sure do hope that she is out of the hospital to-day. Sure would like her to get over her nervousness. Admonish her to take care of herself and not to worry, as I still am on the look-out for something. Remember me to her and give her my love.

As for the furniture, rest assured I will do what is best. You see, you will have a nice new (brand new) range, and in the bathroom they just put in a shower bath. To-morrow I will be home all day, helping to clean up the place so that might hinder my writing you to-morrow. I'll try and write, though, but you

can just imagine how long I'll be.

Remember sweetheart, take good care of yourself and don't work too hard.

Must close now, Jeanie, with all my love, hugs and kisses, to you, my darling, sweetheart wifie,

Ever lovingly,

Jay



Nelly Carter.

way, it's up to me to make my life what I want to from now on," she said. "I've made many mistakes and I've profited by them—and if telling my story to any other girl will help her to avoid the errors I made, I'll gladly tell her all."

Jos. Freedman Back; Had Narrow Escape

Joseph M. Freedman, Memphian, who received his discharge from the marine corps, is back here and will resume the practice of law. Freedman had just been transferred from the Steamer San Diego to barracks, when the ship was sunk.

He has reopened his office on the fourth floor of the Goodbar building.

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May 6, 1919.
Tuesday.

Darling Wifie Mine:-

Just received your darling Saturday's letter with the wonderful clipping. My! but you sure do look winsome! Believe me, Lovie dear, I sure am anxiously awaiting Saturday. I had intended to make yesterday's letter the last, but as you assured me that you will get this on Thursday, I wanted to hear you, and therefore am writing again. I sure am glad that everything is turning out so nicely & smoothly. Am glad, too, that you will attend to the baggage quite early.

Honey love, I don't know what to think of Mom dear's condition. I thought sure she would be out by Saturday last, but I hope she can get out before you leave. Maybe it's because you are leaving that bothers her, undoubtedly, as she must be thinking of the time she will leave to come here. God, but I would love to hear that she is well and out of the hospital. I am continually trying to find something for her so that she can come here.

When you leave love tell Mom dear assure her that we are going to try our hardest for her early arrival, and that she shouldn't worry but take things easy. I certainly do intend to have her come down here with the family. Remember me to her and give her my love. Tell Rose to continue her good work & as soon as I can get things in hand. It may take a little time yet, but I hope not for ~~not~~ long. Also tell Lolly to behave himself & be a little decent.

Well, honey love, I am anxiously awaiting my live love letter. Toots love, I only take my last to finish the floor as nicely as possible and hope you won't be disappointed. Always remember,

sweetheart, that I tried to please you, & if you find things are not what you expected, I hope you will not mind, for as soon as possible, we will fix up the place as an attorney's home, in the good old fashioned way.

Honey love, I will close now, again wishing you a pleasant trip & with hopes & prayers that you arrive safely into my arms, I will all my love, hugs & kisses,

Ever lovingly
your Yearning
Hubby

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APPLICATION TO REGISTER A BIRTH NOT RECORDED AT TIME OF OCCURRENCE

IMPORTANT! This form is to be used only when both parents are dead and the applicant, whose birth is to be recorded, is over 21 years of age. These papers should be carefully read and prepared without alteration or correction, or they will not be accepted.

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF

Frances L. Freedman,

a person over 21 years of age, whose parents are both dead, to have ~~her~~ birth recorded in the Bureau of Vital Records and Statistics of the Department of Health of the City of New York, pursuant to Section 567 of the New York City Charter, and the Rules of the Board of Health adopted thereunder.

PETITION AND AFFIDAVITS

To the Commissioner of Health:

STATE OF New York, } ss.:
COUNTY OF New York }

I, Frances Levine Freedman (Name of applicant) being duly sworn, depose and say: 1820 Ave N, Brooklyn N.Y.

FIRST: That I am 52 years of age and reside at No. ~~72 N Belvedere St~~ Brooklyn Street, City or town of Memphis, County of Shelby, State of ~~Texas~~ New York.

SECOND: That my father Max Levine (Name of father), and my mother, whose maiden name was Annie Charney (Maiden name of mother), were married on ....., 1887, at Minsk, Russia (Give name of church or address and Borough, City and State)

N.Y. City 1890 Directory lists Marks Levine tailor at 348 Madison St. and Max Levine tailor, 134 Suffolk St. He does not appear in 1888 NY City Directory or in 1887. Max Levine tailor is listed at 35 Essex St + at I Forsythe St. 1890 Police Census. Living 134 Suffolk St. moves to another family named Levine Vol. III - 1890 Police Census covering 348 Madison St. - NY City missing NB

THIRD: That my father died on Oct 7, 1937, at Brooklyn (Borough, City and State) New York New York, and that my mother died on June 15, 1944, at Brooklyn (Borough, City and State) New York N.Y.

FOURTH: That I was, to the best of my knowledge and belief, born on ~~March 22~~, 1892, at No. 21 Attorney St St., in the City of New York, Borough of Manhattan

FIFTH: That a search has revealed that there is no record of my birth on file with the Department of Health of the City of New York, and a "NOT FOUND" statement to that effect, issued by the Bureau of Vital Records and Statistics of said Department, is attached hereto.

SIXTH: *That there was no professional attendant at this birth.
~~*That the name of the professional attendant at this birth is unknown.~~

~~*That~~ ..... (Name of physician or midwife) was the ..... (Physician or Midwife) who attended professionally at this birth.

SEVENTH: *~~That the certificate of birth submitted herewith was prepared by (the professional attendant) (the Superintendent of the hospital where the child was born).~~

~~*That the professional attendant died on.....~~

*That the professional attendant cannot now be found, although the following search was made:

.....

.....

*Cross out the sentences which do not apply.

ALL CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THIS CASE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:

Mrs. Frances Freedman (Name)

92 N Belvedere Apt # 7 (No.) (Street) Butler Memphis (City or town) Tenn (State)

Now 1820 Ave N Brooklyn N.Y apt 1F

EIGHTH: That my knowledge of the date and place of my birth is based upon the following facts: (a) I fix the date of my birth as March 22, 1892, 19....., because As far as I know that was always the date given on School records etc. The place was always repeatedly told me by my mother.

(b) I fix the place of my birth as 21 Attorney St., New York City N.Y. because in relating birthdays + birth places it was always related as the above address.

NINTH: In support of the statements made in this application, I submit the following documentary proof:

Copy of census record of 1900 Census. My father was naturalized in the Eastern Dist. N.Y. (28-237) June 24, 1902 at that time we were living at 1766 Bway Brooklyn.

TENTH: I submit this petition, the attached certificate of birth (delayed registration), and documentary proof to induce the Commissioner of Health to cause my birth as stated in said certificate to be recorded in the ~~Bureau of Vital Records and Statistics of the Department of Health.~~

NOTE: See sheet of instructions for documentary evidence necessary. In paragraph 8 (a) state any incidents which you have always been led to associate in a time relationship with your birth, such as the births of other children, etc.

WHEREFORE, I pray that the application made herein be granted and the certificate of birth (delayed registration) submitted herewith be filed in the Bureau of Vital Records and Statistics of the Department of Health, as provided by law.

STATE OF TENN
COUNTY OF SHELBY }

Sworn to before me this 12th day of December, 1944 }

Frances Freedman

Notary Public ~~or Commissioner of Deeds, County of~~.....

My commission expires Apr. 7, 1946

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THIS CERTIFICATE NOT VALID UNLESS FILED IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Certificates Containing Alterations or Omissions are Unacceptable

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE. MARGIN RESERVED FOR CODING AND BINDING

Died: Date..... Place..... Cert. No.....

Certificate of Birth

(DELAYED REGISTRATION)

Special Certificate No.....

1. Full name of child FRANCES LEVINE
(Print or typewrite) First name Middle name Last name

2. Sex	3. Color or Race	4. Number of children born of this pregnancy / 5. If more than one, number of this child in order of birth	6. Date of child's birth (Month) (Day) (Year)	6a. Hour A.M. / P.M.
F	White	1	March 22 1892	

7. **PLACE OF BIRTH**
(a) NEW YORK CITY: (b) Borough Manhattan
(c) Name of Hospital or Institution 21 Attorney St
(If not in hospital or institution, give street and number.)

8. **MOTHER'S RESIDENCE AT TIME OF BIRTH:** (a) State New York (b) Co. New York (c) Town or City New York (d) No. 21 Attorney St Ave. St.

FATHER

9. Full name Max Levine

10. Color or race White | 11. Age at time of this birth 27 (years)

12. Birthplace (city or place and State, or country) Russia

13. Trade or Occupation Tailor

MOTHER

14. Full maiden name Annie Charney

15. Color or race White | 16. Age at time of this birth 27 (years)

17. Birthplace (city or place and State, or country) Russia

18. Trade or Occupation Housewife

19a. Total number of children BORN ALIVE PREVIOUS to this pregnancy 2

19b. Number of children born PREVIOUS to this pregnancy and LIVING AT TIME OF THIS BIRTH 2

I hereby certify that this child was born alive at the hour and on the date stated above, and that all the facts stated in this certificate and report of birth are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

(Signed) Frances L. Freedman
(Relationship)

Date Dec 26, 1944 (Signed).....
(Relationship)

ABSTRACT OF EVIDENCE SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION

(To be completed by the Health Department)

Application No. ..... to record a birth not registered at the time of its occurrence, and the supporting affidavits, together with the documentary evidence summarized above, comply substantially with the Rules of the Board of Health adopted pursuant to the provisions of Section 567 of the New York City Charter. The filing of this certificate of birth is, therefore, APPROVED.

Date.....

.....Registrar of Records

SEE OTHER SIDE

BUREAU OF VITAL RECORDS AND STATISTICS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CITY OF NEW YORK

CITY OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF VITAL RECORDS AND STATISTICS

BOROUGH OFFICES:
MANHATTAN, 65 CENTRE STREET
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BROOKLYN, 295 FLATBUSH AVE. EXT.
QUEENS, 168-15 ARCHER AVE. JAMAICA, N. Y.
RICHMOND, 51 STUYVESANT PLACE, ST. GEORGE, S. I.

NEW YORK, NOV 2 - 1944 19 .

This is to certify that a search was made of the records of BIRTHS in the Borough of Manhattan, for the calendar years 1892 and 1893 for the name of Frances Levine who is said to have been born on the 22 day of March 1892 and the name was

NOT FOUND

THOMAS J. DUFFIELD
Registrar of Records

C. W. LYNN, M. D.
Assistant Registrar.

Information supplied by the applicant for the purpose of identifying the proper record.

Father's name Max Levine

Mother's maiden name Annie Charney

Place of birth 21 Attorney St Manhattan

Order No. 36544 #272096 Searched by J.M. Verified by OB

SHOULD YOU DESIRE TO FILE A RECORD OF YOUR BIRTH AT THIS TIME, RETURN THIS STATEMENT TO THE OFFICE IN THE BOROUGH IN WHICH YOU WERE BORN, TOGETHER WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Are your parents living? No

What was the exact place of birth? 21 Attorney St
(House No.) (Street or Hospital)

Sign your name here Frances Levine Freedman

Present address 70 76 E Humphreys Ave

City and State Memphis Tenn

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CITY OF NEW YORK

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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NEW YORK, 3-19 1946

This is to certify that a search was made of the records of BIRTHS in the Borough of Manhattan + Bronx for the calendar years 1892 and 1893 for the name of Frances Levine (Fanny, Fannie) who is said to have been born on the 22nd day of March, 1892 and the name was

NOT FOUND

SIDNEY M. NORTON
ACTING ASST REGISTRAR

THOMAS J. DUFFIELD
Registrar of Records

Assistant Registrar.

Information supplied by the applicant for the purpose of identifying the proper record.

Father's name Max

Mother's maiden name Anna Scharer

Place of birth Not Given — Manhattan

Order No. 389840 Searched by LD Verified by LP

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(House No.) (Street or Hospital)

Sign your name here .....

Present address .....

City and State .....

(OVER)

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
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PITTSBURG, KANSAS 66762

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Frances Salling
1890 Broadway
San Francisco, Calif. 94109

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

WASHINGTON 25

123-591

November 30, 1944

Re: Frances L. Freedman
nee Levine

Mrs. Frances L. Freedman
c/o H. E. Humphreys, Attorney
Commerce Title Building
Memphis
Tennessee

The following information, including spelling of name, relationship, age, etc., is an EXACT COPY of the census record, and cannot now be changed, even though it may not agree with the applicant's statement.

Census of 1900, taken as of June 1

225 West Sixteenth Street, Manhattan borough, New York city

County New York State New York

Name	Relationship	Age	Month and year of birth	Place of birth	Citizenship
Levine, Max	Head			Russia	Naturalized
- Annie	Wife				
- Isaac	Son				
- Rachel	Daughter				
- Fanny	Daughter	8	Apr. 1892	New York	
- Sadie	Daughter				
- Nellie	Daughter				
- Anna	Daughter				

J. C. Capt,
Director.

The Bureau of the Census does not issue birth certificates, but this record is usually accepted in place of one.

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Form BC-656
(8-17-65)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20233

km 927-257

February 16, 1966

Re: Frances Salling
1890 Broadway
San Francisco, Calif. 94109

Social Security Adm.
303 Golden Gate Ave.
San Francisco, Calif. 94102

Your reference:
Hobart Salling
270-09-2945

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Census of 1900, taken as of June 1

225 West Sixteenth, New York

County New York State New York

Name	Relationship	Age	Month and year of birth	Place of birth	Citizenship
Levine, Fanny	Daughter	8	April 1892	New York	
enumerated in the family of Max and Annie Levine					

A. Ross Eckler
A. ROSS ECKLER
DIRECTOR

Bureau of the Census

The above information is furnished upon application with the understanding that in no case shall the information furnished be used to the detriment of the person or persons to whom the information relates, in accordance with Title 13, United States Code, Section 8.

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AFTER 5 DAYS, RETURN TO
THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES
N. A. HARRIS & SON, GENERAL AGENTS,
500 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

Frank M. Sweeney

Mailed in the
SALMON TOWER
BUILDING

P.O. 61020

Mrs. Frances Freedman

1820 Avenue N, Apt. 1F

Brooklyn, New York

Equitable Empire

c/o H. B. Levine

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY
OF THE UNITED STATES
HOME OFFICE NEW YORK, N.Y.
THOMAS I. PARKINSON, PRESIDENT

FRANK M. SWEENEY, REPRESENTATIVE
500 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY 18

TELEPHONE: PENNSYLVANIA 6-1542

March 28, 1946

Mrs. Frances Freedman
1820 Avenue N, Apt. 1F
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mrs. Freedman:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 21st (which arrived at this office today) together with the enclosures concerning your date of birth.

Upon examining the enclosures, I noted that you had a statement from the Bureau of the Census, concerning Census of 1900. This statement gives your age at a census taken as of June 1, 1900, and also your approximate date of birth, together with your exact place of birth.

Since the information was obtained shortly after your birth, it is valuable and also acceptable as evidence of your nationality. I have called the Mexican Consulate General concerning requirements for your admission to Mexico as a tourist. They advised that you required identification of nationality forms and a tourist card. They also advised that the Census record would be acceptable for this purpose. In order to obtain the tourist card, you must appear either at the Consulate General's offices at 70 Pine Street, or at the offices of the Mexican Government Tourist Bureau at 630 5th Avenue.

I am returning herewith the said Census record, two records of search for your birth record, and Application to Register a Birth not Recorded at Time of Occurrence, together with Delayed Registration form.

I trust that you will have no difficulty in your journey. If there is any way in which I may be of further assistance to you, please call on me.

Sincerely yours,

Frank M. Sweeney

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HBS
Enc.

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TELEPHONE: PENNSYLVANIA 6-1542

April 15, 1946

Mrs. Frances Freedman
1820 Avenue N, Apt. 1F
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mrs. Freedman:

In accordance with our recent coversations, I am enclosing herewith a true and exact certified photostatic copy of the Census Record which you forwarded to me. I am also returning herewith the original of this record for your safekeeping. Please keep these letters in different places so that in the event of the loss of either, you will retain the other.

The other forms and papers forwarded to me have not been photostated since they offer no conclusive evidence of your age or date of birth. I suggest that you file with the Health Department your delayed Birth Record. All other papers are being returned herewith, also.

Statement from Alfred H. Miller Co., Inc. is enclosed herewith, as per your request.

If there is any way in which I can be of further assistance, please feel free to call on me at any time. I trust that I shall have the pleasure of meeting you personally before you leave on your trip.

Sincerely yours,

Frank M. Sweeney

Frank M. Sweeney

HBS
Enc.

ad thank.

CITY'S ONLY WOMAN PHARMACIST RESIGNS

AT BELLEVUE TWO YEARS.

Mrs. Frances L. Freedman Leaves to Join Husband in Memphis—Put Up 375,000 Prescriptions.

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Evening Journal

• America's Greatest

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ONLY WOMAN PHARMACIST EMPLOYED BY CITY QUITS

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Eve. Telegram

INVEST VICTORY LOAN

Memphis Press-Scimitar

MEMPHIS, TENN., FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1930.

MADE SUCCESS OF 'RUN DOWN' DRUG BUSINESS

Woman Pharmacist Prefers Store to Home Life

SEES FAILINGS OF SEX

'Too Sentimental, and Often Lack Courage'

Eleanor Medill Patterson, new editor of the Washington Herald, recently centered attention of the world on the success woman has attained in business and the professions. Memphis has her own "feminine bosses," one of whom is told about in the story below. Similar stories will follow.

"How is your wife?"

"Did that medicine cure your baby's cough?"

It's thoughtful, kind questions like these, as well as her ability to fill prescriptions, that enables Mrs. Frances Levine Freedman to make a success of her drug business at 1083 Thomas.

Back in 1916 Frances Levine graduated with highest honors from a Brooklyn, N. Y., school of pharmacy, having competed with 185 men and five girl students.

Her next step was to take a civil service examination, and receive the highest average of anyone taking the tests. Gaining in confidence, she put in her application for a position at Bellevue Hospital in New York.

Took Man's Job

"They assumed I was a man because my name was Frances," recalls Mrs. Freedman, "and I was called in to take the job. When I reported they found out I was a girl. They let me keep the job with the understanding I would have to quit if I wasn't as efficient as the men pharmacists. At that time I don't think anyone in the hospital, except myself, thought I would stay."

But this pioneer-girl, who was the first woman pharmacist in Bellevue Hospital, soon won the praise of her superiors and co-workers. Several years later she quit her position to marry, and move to Memphis.

"After keeping house for a year and half I grew tired of it," she says. "In the home there is such a narrow scope for a woman to express herself. In the business world there are no limits."

Rehabilitates Store

So, somewhat as a means of occupying her spare time, Mrs. Freedman took charge of what was then a little run-down drug store at Thomas and Maple. Her daughter was nearly one year old.

"The man who owned it said I could take it over and see if I could make a go of it," explained the owner. "In a short time the store was on a paying basis. Now I wouldn't sell for any price, in fact I think the rest of my life will be spent in business."

Mrs. Freedman's husband has been dead for a year, and she supports herself and daughter with that hobby of nine years ago. Lightly she passes over the fact she spends from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m. seven days a week in her store.

Loves Life In Store

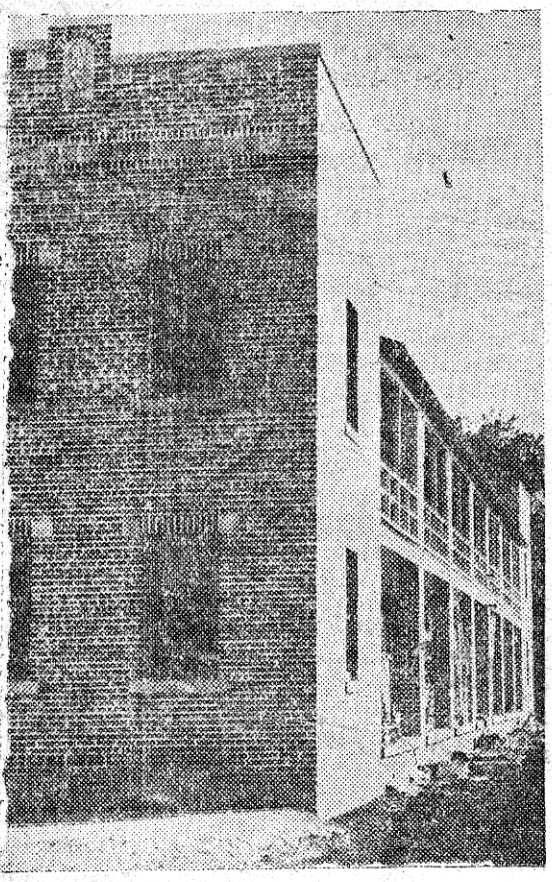
"I just love my store," she hastens to explain. "Having the neighbors run in for a bottle of medicine, or a package of gum, is like having them visiting. There is nothing I like better than a good, lively political discussion with some of my customers.

"Woman's biggest asset in the business world is an understanding of human nature," she says.

Rather reluctantly Mrs. Freedman gave her ideas about the modern business woman's faults.

"My sex is inclined to underestimate themselves, and we sometimes do not have enough courage for the bigger things," she says. "We are too sentimental, and allow our feelings to be hurt too easily."

MODERN NEGRO APARTMENTS



Memphis should be very proud of the new modern brick apt. building erected by Mrs. Francis L. Freeman, well known pharmacist in North Memphis, 607 Wells at Thomas under the name of Dixie Apts. Mrs. Freedman is prop. of the Dixie Drug Store at 1083 Thomas St.

The building houses 14 apts. Each apt. has 4 rooms (3 rooms and a bath room). A central hall in each apt., makes every room a private one. The walls have the newest finish of textone. The Floors are hardwood throughout— a feature not found in any other colored apt. There is gas connection in every room. Pretty elecric light fixtures and a number of electric sockets in every room to take care of all electric appliances such as floor lamps, radios, etc. The built in wardrobes, kitchenette sinks with drain boards attached, are added attractions for beauty and usefulness. A brick fire place in the living room gives a warm home-like appeal. There are front and back porches to each apt. Most novel are the brick coal houses which are burglar proof.

The location of this building is ideal....on the Thomas Street Bus Line, adjoining the well known Dixie Drug Store, chain stores, churches and schools. The solid rock construction makes these apts. very warm in winter time and exceptionally cool in the hot summer months.

Mrs. Freedman is renting these beautiful desirable apartments to responsible parties for the reasonable rent of $12.00 to $14.00 per month, water furnished.

Government officials of the FHA from Washington made a recent inspection of Mrs. Fredman's building and praised it highly. They termed Mrs. Freedman "A pioneer..opening the road to better living conditions for the colored race."

Mrs. Freedman is well known for her pioneer advertures. Her career as a successful druggist is outstanding. Entering the profession of pharmacy which had been open to men only, she soon won the distinction of being the first woman pharmacist employed by the City of New York to fill the prescriptions of Bellevue Hospital, New York's City Hospital. She has been awarded 2 medals for her achievements and most of our subscribers are well acquainted with the good work Mrs. Freedman has done for the sick at the Dixie Drug Store.

Inspection of the Apartments is invited. Call 6-9459 for information.

QUITS AS ONLY M PHARMACIST A

By MARGERY REX.

Day after day the pretty dark-eyed girl in the dispensary at Bellevue Hospital filled prescriptions. Frances Levine was the only woman pharmacist in the city of New York, but one day she became Mrs. Joseph Freedman when she was married to a young lawyer in the marine service. Joseph had a career to follow too, and he must build up a practise in Memphis, Tenn. But Mrs. Freedman said she'd wait here until things got started down South.

At different times she got letters telling of colds and headaches and she'd laugh and send a prescription. Then one day Joseph's trouble was just plain lonesomeness for Frances. There was only one way to fill that prescription and the bride with a career had to make a decision.

Last week Mrs. Frances Freedman resigned from the staff of Bellevue Hospital and announced her intention of joining her husband in Memphis and staying there for good.

"My husband doesn't want me to continue in this line, but I'd love to do something down there," she said. "Not a regular job, but I'd like to be connected with some hospital. The work is so interesting and there is so much chance to do good.

"In the early morning I used to get the pharmacy all ready for the afternoon crowd," she ran on. "There were a great number of clinics and many people each day. You can realize how busy we were when I tell you that the last two days before I left I filled 1,400 prescriptions altogether.

"I filled out the prescriptions and a man who worked with me manufactured them—sometimes in great quantities.

"It was sometimes so hard for the foreigners to understand what to ask for. I spoke Yiddish and German as well as English, and that helped quite a bit. In a place like that one comes in contact with many poor unfortunates—sad cases of very old people, mental and epileptic cases. And there were the cases of over-indulgence in drink, and they were sometimes very funny 'the morning after,' when we got hold of them. I suppose the coming prohibition will do away with all that, though."

Mrs. Freedman—just twenty-five years old—is a graduate of the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy. She received the gold medal of efficiency from the college, and later gained first place in the Civil Service examinations. She went to Bellevue Hospital in 1917.

"I always loved pharmacy work. I had some friends in that line, so I resolved to take it up. When you like a subject success seems to come very easily.

"Of course Joseph thinks he will not hear of me doing any more work, but we shall see," she declared.

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America's Greatest Evening Newspaper

QUITS AS ONLY NEW YORK WOMAN PHARMACIST AT LOVE'S CALL

By MARGERY REX.

Day after day the pretty dark-eyed girl in the dispensary at Bellevue Hospital filled prescriptions. Frances Levine was the only woman pharmacist in the city of New York, but one day she became Mrs. Joseph Freedman when she was married to a young lawyer in the marine service. Joseph had a career to follow too, and he must build up a practise in Memphis, Tenn. But Mrs. Freedman said she'd wait here until things got started down South.

At different times she got letters telling of colds and headaches and she'd laugh and send a prescription. Then one day Joseph's trouble was just plain lonesomeness for Frances. There was only one way to fill that prescription and the bride with a career had to make a decision.

Last week Mrs. Frances Freedman resigned from the staff of Bellevue Hospital and announced her intention of joining her husband in Memphis and staying there for good.

"My husband doesn't want me to continue in this line, but I'd love to do something down there," she said. "Not a regular job, but I'd like to be connected with some hospital. The work is so interesting and there is so much chance to do good.

"In the early morning I used to get the pharmacy all ready for the afternoon crowd," she ran on. "There were a great number of clinics and many people each day. You can realize how busy we were when I tell you that the last two days before I left I filled 1,400 prescriptions altogether.

"I filled out the prescriptions and a man who worked with me manufactured them—sometimes in great quantities.

"It was sometimes so hard for the foreigners to understand what to ask for. I spoke Yiddish and German as well as English, and that helped quite a bit. In a place like that one comes in contact with many poor unfortunates—sad cases of very old people, mental and epileptic cases. And there were the cases of over-indulgence in drink, and they were sometimes very funny 'the morning after,' when we got hold of them. I suppose the coming prohibition will do away with all that, though."

Mrs. Freedman—just twenty-five years old—is a graduate of the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy. She received the gold medal of efficiency from the college, and later gained first place in the Civil Service examinations. She went to Bellevue Hospital in 1917.

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WOMEN IN MEMPHIS

She's Successful Druggist

BY ETHELDA BEDFORD

Just because a woman's a woman is no reason her brain is not as receptive as a man's—no reason why marriage should be her only goal or the end of her career any more than it is a man's, according to Mrs. Frances Freedman, whose success in the business world is a striking example of what she says.

Mrs. Freedman, pharmacist, is the sole owner of the Dixie Drug Co., 1084 Thomas-st. She keeps house, does her own cooking and sewing and runs her drug store, too. She fills all her prescriptions, designs and trims her own windows, and finds plenty of time to do her bit of womanly gossip.

"Women are just afraid to venture out into the world of affairs," she said Monday, "just because they are women. Persistence will win out every time. I am extremely proud of my accomplishments for the sake of my sex. I hope they'll realize they can do the same thing.

Friends Mean Business

"Women have it on the men in lots of ways. They have a keen sense of intuition and more human understanding, which gives them more of a chance in the business world to make friends—and friends mean business," she said.

"I think I started my career when I played with dolls, wrapping mother's face powder in bits of paper—fever powder for my dolls.

"It was the big thrill of my career when I gained the distinction of being the first and only woman in New York to hold the position of pharmacist in the Bellevue and Allied hospital. I graduated with highest honors in Brooklyn College of Pharmacy out of a class of 200 men and 10 girls.

"I married while there, and of



course that was quite an event in my life, as it is in every woman's life, but I never had any intention of giving up my career just because I was beginning another.

"It seems to me when women do that it is just admitting the only reason they pursued a business career was to marry a man of the busines world. You know, they have better opportunities of meeting worth-while ones there.

Mrs. Freedman has a daughter four and a half years old.

During the three years she has had charge of her drug store she has made enough to buy the lot directly across from her business, on which she will build a two-story building—the future home of the Dixie Drug store.

STATE OF TENNESSEE
STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Division of Vital Statistics

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

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1. PLACE OF DEATH
County Shelby Registration District No. 27 W 5 File No. 25 5 30
Civil Dist. 5th
or Village
Primary Registration District No. Registered No.
or City Memphis (No. Baptist Hospital St.; Ward)
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number.)

2. FULL NAME Joseph M Freedman

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3 SEX: Male | 4 COLOR OR RACE: White | 5 Single, Married, Widowed, Or Divorced (write the word): Married

6 DATE OF BIRTH ____ (month) ____ (day) 1895 (Year)

7 AGE: 34 yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. IF LESS THAN 1 day, ____ hrs. or ____ min?

8 OCCUPATION
(a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work: Druggist
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer):

9 BIRTHPLACE (State or country): England

PARENTS

10 NAME OF FATHER: Jacob Freedman

11 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or Country): England

12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER: Henrietta Jonkers

13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or Country): England

14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE
(Informant): Fineda Freedman
(Address): 1093 Thomas Street

15 Filed 10/16, 1929 L. M. Graves Registrar.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

16 DATE OF DEATH: October 15 (Month) (Day) 1929 (Year)

17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Oct 5, 1929 to Oct 15, 1929 that I last saw h___ alive on Oct 15, 1929 5 p.m. and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 5 p.m.

The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows:

Lobar pneumonia

(Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.

Contributory (Secondary)

(Duration) ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.

(Signed) Shield Abernathy, M.D.
Oct 16, 1929 (Address) 99 Madison Ave

*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or, in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES state (1) MEANS OF INJURY, and, (2) Whether ACCIDENTAL SUICIDAL or HOMICIDAL. State Whether or not an operation was performed.

18 LENGTH OF RESIDENCE (For Hospitals, Institutionals, Transients or Recent Residents)
at place of death ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds. In the State ____ yrs. ____ mos. ____ ds.
Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death? Baptist Hospital
Former or usual residence Memphis Tenn England

19 PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL: Burn Hill DATE OF BURIAL: October 16 1929

20 UNDERTAKER: J. J. Collins ADDRESS: Memphis

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above is a true and correct copy of the certificate of death of Joseph M. Freedman on file in this office. This 10 day of Jan, 1930

E. L. Bishop
State Registrar.

Received of J. J. Collins (name) Memphis (Address)
the sum of fifty cents (50c) (Currency) for a certified copy of certificate of death of Joseph M. Freedman
Registered No. ____ File No. ____ County Shelby Date of Death 10-15-29
Nashville, Tennessee, 1-10-30 (date)

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS
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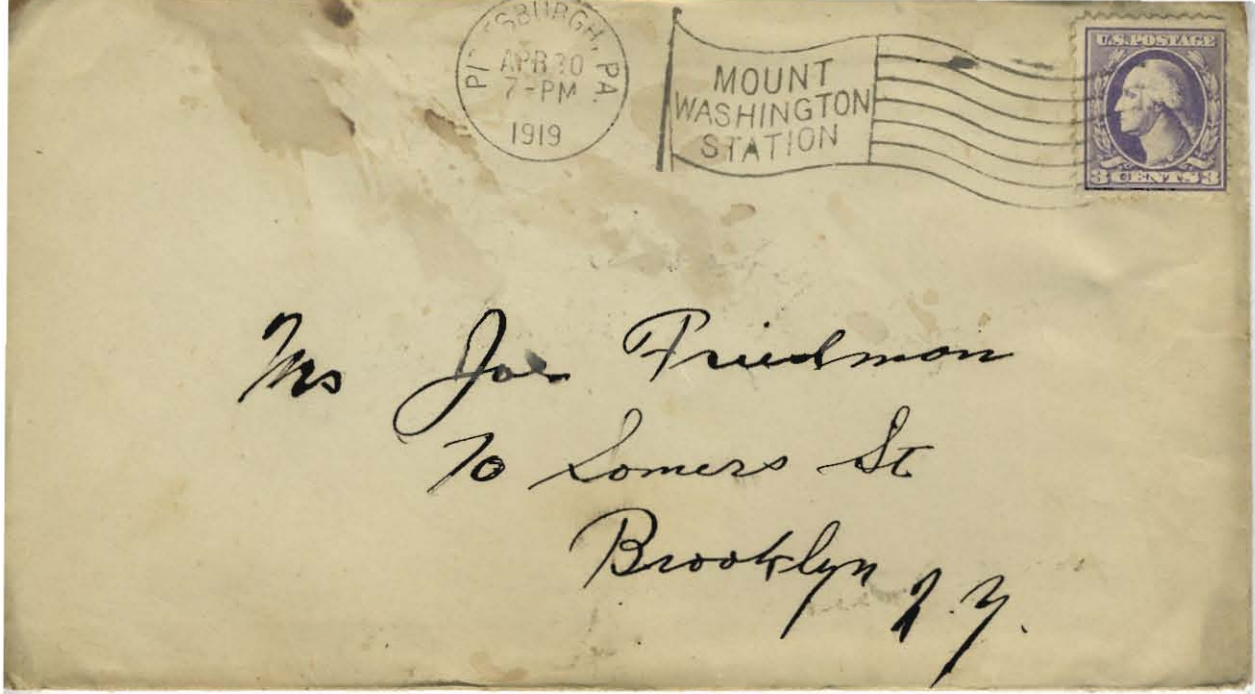
THIS IS YOUR RECEIPT. DETACH FROM CERTIFIED COPY.

J. J. Collins, Inc.
Funeral Home
872 POPLAR AVE. MEMPHIS, TENN.

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Mrs. J. M. Freedman
1083 Thomas St.
City



Mrs Jos Friedman
70 Somers St
Brooklyn N.Y.

Pittsburgh Pa
4-29-19

Dear Francis:-

Your letter received
you cant imagin what
a shock it was to me
to hear about Rose Inchbald
How is Mrs Friedman feeling
I am very very sorry that
I cant see you before
you leave but I do hope
that I shall see you at your
own home soon

I gave your address
to a cousin of mine from
down south she was in
Pittsburgh for the last six
months & she went to N.Y.
last Sunday she might
call you up

Dont forget to write as

soon as you get to your home & Tell me all about everything

Let me wish you a very happy & Lots of luck

Love to yourself & kind regards to Joe & the rest of your folks

Lovingly Odd.

P.S. About the gift I shall see when you get it & then make your mind make up with me.



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STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS
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September Fifth,
Nineteen Sixteen.

Mr.Joseph M.Freedman,
Memphis, Tenn.

Dear Sir:--

The State Board of Law Examiners has forwrded a certificate of license for you to practice law to the members of the Supreme Court for their signatures but, on account of the distances these certificates must be sent and the difficulty in getting in touch with the members of the Court, it will probably be some weeks before all of the members of the Court have signed the same and they are ready to be delivered.

As you have successfully passed the examination held by the State Board of Law Examiners and fully complied with all of the requirements with reference to the payment of fees, application, etc. I feel sure that the Judges of the Courts of Tennessee will permit you to appear before them in such matters as you may have to attend to prior to the delivery to you of this certificate.

I attach the seal of the State Board of Law Examiners to this letter as evidence of the correctness of the facts stated herein.

Very truly yours,

Jas. L. McRee
M. S.

Secretary.

JLM-MB

are quite safe. So do try and come home. About the money I have not received it. This is the letter I am enclosing that I received from the General Post office, so you see that the money was not put in. I also want to tell you that one of the girls that used to work for me has gone to Memphis, and I have given her Morris's address, also a letter from us to you, so if you see her she will tell you all

48 Lettles Road

July 5th 1916 ~~21. Ravensdale Road.~~

~~Stamford Hill. N.~~

My Dear Father.

Just a line in answer to your letter. I am pleased to hear that you are well. But I feel upset to think that you are not happy. If you could get the money from Morris to come home, you ought to try and do so, as I think the American boats now

the news. Everything here is just the same, we have had a lot of trouble lately. Sarah has been in the hospital for 3 weeks and a week after she came out, Raphy went in the hospital. He has been very ill, and had an operation for appendicitis Thank God he is out now, but of course he cant walk, & is still very quiet. Liza has been up to join, & had been rejected, so you see I have had plenty of trouble. Work is at a standstill, nothing to do. I had a letter a few weeks ago from Jetta. I dont think I have anything else to write, otherwise everybody is quite well. I will now draw to close hoping to hear from you by return, and try and come home as soon as possible. Love from all the children Yrs loving daughter to love and yourself. Rachel & Samuel.

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Mr. Joseph M. Freedman,
42-43 Goodbar Bldg.
Memphis,
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Mr. Joseph Max Friedman, 8/22-16.
42-43 Goodbar Bldg.,
Memphis Tenn.

Dear Sir:--

It gives me pleasure to report that you successfully passed the Bar Examination held by the State Board of Law Examiners in June 1916.

You can forward your license fee of $3.10(ten cents to cover revenue stamp) to me at Memphis, and as soon as the certificates have been signed by the Supreme Court, your license will be sent to you.

The Supreme Court has adjourned and it will probably take some time to have the license certificates signed by them. If you will send the above mentioned license fee to me at once, I will forward you a letter which I am sure the Courts of Tennessee will recognize until the license certificates have been signed by the court.

Hoping that the practice of law will be pleasant and profitable to you and that, as a Member of the Bar, you will reflect much credit upon it, I beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

Jas L. McRee

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Lawyer Joseph M.Freedman

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Brooklyn N.Y.

313-216 CENTRAL BANK BLDG.
Memphis Tenn..

Dear Joe,

Yours of the other day at hand and glad to hear ~~f~~ fr m you I can assure you.

Gee but there has been lots of occurances since I arrived here this last~~f~~ time and I really do not know where to begin to tell you of them.

First of ll I am not in Abe's office anymore nor by the way is Herman; the firm to-day is Bearman Cohn and Bearman. Personally I am at the above address which is the office of Joe Hanover and F.C.Jacobs and tho I can ot say that I am getting rich still I must not complain for as you can tell I am yet alive and when thru will proceed to the Arlington to eat my lunch.

You r desk is now the property of A.R.Taylor who re levined it as they did Herman's and when I asked Joe Bearman for an equity in it for he used it for a while he laughed at me and taunted me that you could have it if you wanted it. That is the brand of friends you have here in this doggone town. Iswear I am most sick of this place myself there do not seem to b any human beings here at a all. But What is the use of complaining here I am and her I will stay spite Hell itself just to show these dogs a real human and when the time comes to take my revenge believe me I shall have a few scores to pay off.

Whats the news with you? Let's hear a cheerful wo rd. I would send you a Sunday Commercial Appeal but I ne ver get to see one myself until some day the followint we ek and then I dont think of it anymore. I dont see any of your relatives at all so cannot send you any news about them.

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Regards to all your folks and with best wishes to you I am as ever





Private Joseph Nat. Friedman
U. S. Marine Corps Reserves,
Barracks Detachment.
Marine Barracks
Navy Yard.
Brooklyn N. Y.

984 Simpson St.
Bronx N. Y. June 20, 17

Dear Joe.

Am sending you some photos, as promised. Have not received my canoe yet. I am about disgusted.

Business is fair, but nothing like last year.

Let me know when you will be up to see me. Just got my permit for Hunter Island, will put up my tent and floor Saturday.

Your friend.
Robert. Shapiro.

P.S. How do you like
these pictures?






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Memorandum for all Members of Marine Corps Reserve in District # 2.

Owing to the fact that only a few of the men enrolled in the Marine Corps Reserve in this District, have complied with the Regulations, covering the service of the Marine Corps Reserves, the following regulations are quoted for your information.

The recruiting district in which you reside is your reserve district and the officer in charge is your commanding officer.

You are required to report to the commanding officer giving your address and occupation. If this has not been done you should do it immediately. Your attention is called to the penalty in the next paragraph for not reporting your address.

That any change of address must be promptly reported to your commanding officer, as he has to notify the paymaster before a check can be sent you. Penalty for noncompliance will be the stoppage of your retainer pay.

That all requests for active duty for training or requests of any character are to be made to your commanding officer, either in person or by letter.

Uniform shall be worn on active service and may be worn on occasions of ceremony at other times. No article of uniform shall be worn with civilian dress.

In the event that any member shall transfer to another reserve district, the service record book and health record shall be forwarded to the commanding officer of the reserve district in which the member is to reside.

You are required to report to your commanding officer any serious illness or injury occurring while not engaged in active service training, in order that your fitness for retention in the reserve may be determined without delay.

Members may be transferred upon their own request from one class to another class for which qualified; and may in time of war volunteer for and be assigned to duties prescribed for any class which they may be deemed competent to perform.

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August 10,1917.

From: The Commanding Officer, M.C.Reserve District, No. 2.
To: Private Joseph Max Freedman M.C.Reserve, Class 4-C.

Subject: Right to volunteer for general service.

1. I wish to call to your attention the detrimental effect on your record of electing to remain in Class 4-C, during the continuation of war, when it is possible for you to volunteer for general service.

2. There have been some disparaging articles in the newspapers concerning those men who enrolled in the Marine Corps Reserve, Class 4-C. In order that there will be no grounds for such remarks now or in later life, it is brought to your attention that you have the right to volunteer for general duty and you are advised to do it if at all possible. Upon the receipt of your request for this change your enrollment cards will be changed accordingly.

3. In order to facilitate the paper work you may sign the request below and upon receipt of same your enrollment cards will be changed.

4. If there are any points in which you are in doubt about your service in the reserve, I will be very glad to clear them up for you, if you will call at this office.

Dan M. Gardner

I hereby volunteer for general service in the U.S.Marine Corps Reserve and request that my enrollment cards be changed accordingly.

Private, U.S.Marine Corps Reserve,
Class 4-C.


AWARDED TO
FRANCES LEVINE
ANDERSON
MEDAL